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# Hurd attacks Kinnock over spy book case

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Neil Kinnock's conduct over the Australian spy book case when Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, said that he had broken the political consensus over defence and national security.

In a strong personal attack Alliance to exploit the Govon the Labour leader, whom he accused of an amazing mixture of inexperience and irresponsibility, Mr Hurd angered opposition MPs by putting forward Mr Kinnock's hreach of the politicial consensus as a reason for opposing changes in the control of the security services hy bringing in experienced politicians to

Mr Hurd was speaking in a Commons debate in which he disclosed that improved positive vetting and management procedures for MI5 demanded by the Prime Minister in the wake of the 1985 Security Commission report into the Bettaney spy case have been introduced by Sir Anthony Duff, the new Director-General of M15.

Mr Hurd said that a report on the changes had been delivered to the Prime Minister earlier this year, and that the Security Commission had since informed Mrs Thatcher

The Government last night of its approval "for the more widened its criticism of Mr open style of management" open style of management" which the Director-General had introduced in the service. Vetting procedures were being improved following the recruitment of more investigat-

Crown's case and British na-

tional security". Granada Television last

night flatly denied that Mr

Greengrass has acted as an informant for Mr Kinnock.

He was on leave and working for Mr Wright in a private

The allegations further an-

gered the Labour Party which

sees the Government's efforts to embarrass Mr Kinnock as

an obvious diversionary tac-

tic. Mr Roy Hattersley, the deputy leader, told a meeting of Labour MPs yesterday:

The Government is now engaged in a precisely planned and carefully co-ordinated attempt to divert public atten-

tion from the humiliation they are suffering in Sydney".

He demanded Mrs Thatcher state publicly whether she intended to abandon the tra-

ditional confidential hriefings

between the Prime Minister

and Leader of the Opposition

His remarks came as Government sources again made clear that Mrs Thatcher

wants Mr Kinnock to explain

with the defence lawyer in the

Wright case before there is any

chance of the convention be-

ing restored. One Labour MP said yesterday: "She wants him to grovel."

In the Commons debate Dr

David Owen, the SDP leader, described Mr Kinnock as

"more of a fool than a knave".

• WASHINGTON: Mr Kin-

nock yesterday rejected Mrs Thatcher's call for him to

return bome and make a

statement on his involvement

with Mr Malcolm Turnbull

Dr David Owen, the SDP

central feature of his speech in

illegally.
In the Sydney court on

Friday, after he corrected his

chael took the decision on the Pincher book and said, in-stead, that it had been the

view of "legal advisers", Sir Robert said that the advice

was based on two matters:

First, that we did not have a

text the possession of which

the Government was prepared

not been able to identify with

sufficient particularity and

certainty the sources of con-fidential information on

which the book was appar-

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ently based."

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not consulted

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

to stop the Chapman Pincher which the book was obtained a

the "delicate" circumstances yesterday's Commons debate

Treachery, was taken primar- to admit, and second, we had

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ing officers.
The debate, initiated by the ernment's difficulties over the Wright affair, was marked by continuing Government attempts to deflect the attack on to Mr Kinnock, efforts which

Nuclear warming Křnnock's struggie

Labour and Alliance spokesmen criticized yesterday.

It had been preceded by further controversy over Mr Kinnock's role when a Conservative MP alleged in a Commons motion, protected by parliamentary privilege, that the Opposition Leader was being briefed by a person who has been allowed to attend the closed court hearings in the Wright case.

The allegation was denied by Mr Kinnock in America yesterday and by Mr Wright's lawyer in Australia, Mr Malcolm Turnbull.

In the Commons motion, Mr Richard Hickmet said that Mr Paul Greengrass, a producer for the TV programme World in Action, had been in the defence team present in court in all proceedings, including those in camera.

The motion calls upon Mr Kinnock to confirm "that Mr Greengrass has been briefing him, his office and other Labour honourable members on a regular and frequent basis the defence lawyer in the MIS as to what questions should be book case. He said "they are asked in this House in an not going to start running my effort to undermine the life (Robin Oakley writes). Why Havers was

Sir Michael Havers, the

spy book in 1981 because of

Far from Sir Michael hav-

ing taken the decision to allow the book to go ahead un-

challenged, as Sir Robert

Armstrong the Cabinet Secretary, said in his original evidence to the Peter Wright

spy book case in Sydney, it is

now clear that a deliberate

decision was taken not to

As reported in The Times

on Monday the decision not to

ban the book, Their Trade Is

ily on the advice of MI5's chief

It is suspected by Labour

MPs that the manuscript was stolen some weeks before the book's publication and its

existence and contents noti-

fied to the Government by

inform him.



Mounted police keep an eye on last-minute share applicants in the City of London yesterday. (Photograph: Nick Rogers).

## Sid blamed for gas applicants shortfall

By Richard Lander

The £5.6 hillion British Gas share flotation closed yesterday with preliminary es-timates indicating that far fewer people had applied than the organizers of the issue had hoped for only a few days ago. However, the issue of 1.6 billion shares to the British public was well oversubscribed - perhaps by five times and will be increased by a further 964 million shares originally allocated to British institutional investors and overseas applicants. A total of 4 billion shares are on offer.

Mr Michael Henman of Dewe Rogerson, the publicity adviser to British Gas, said between 3.5 million and 4 million people had applied by yesterday's 10 am deadline.

Earlier this week, the organizers had said that market research indicated about 6 million cheques and applica-tion forms would have to be comited. The figures also compare poorly with the 7.5 million inquiries for the issue and the 5.5 million priority registrations lodged by British

Gas customers.
Suspicions for the reason behind the shortfall immediately fell on the long-running and expensive "Tell Sid" Attorney-General, was ex- leader, made the apparently cluded from the decision not suspicious circumstances in advertising campaign which appeared to delight and irritate the population in equal parts. "It looks like the ad campaign ran too long and peaked too early and failed to in which the manuscript was obtained by MI5, senior government sources have convert interest into applicawere employed and what sort of ministerial approval was required before MI5 could act

tions," one City analyst said. Mr Henman said it appeared many people had applied jointly on one form per household rather than individually. He estimated the average application size at £1,300, compared with £800

for British Telecom and £1,000 for the TSB. Mr Anthony Alt, of N M Rothschild, the merchant bank adviser to the issue, also refused to be downcast. He said the issue would create more new shareholders than any other issue because the bank did not intend to ballot applicants as was done with the TSB issue.

Details of how many shares applicants will receive should be known by Monday, when official trading in the shares meeting at which the decision starts on the Stock Exchange. Continued on page 20, col 4 Details, page 21

## US connection possible in Guinness affair

By Lawrence Lever

pushing up the value of its bid

Another aspect of the bid

under scrutiny are the actions

of the Rapid America

Distillers to distribute its products in the US. Mr

Meshulam Riklis, its owner,

made an approach to Mr Gulliver, indicating his sup-port in return for the continu-

ance of the Rapid contract

Check on

race for

jobless

By Martin Fletcher

**Political Reporter** 

The Government is plan-

ning to monitor the racial backgrounds of all those on

the unemployment register.
Mr Kenneth Clarke, Min-

ister for Employment, dis-

closed last night that he is

hoping to set up pilot schemes

in Leeds. Nottingham and Birmingham in the New Year,

with a view to extending the

scheme nationwide if those

He told The Times that monitoring would enable the

Government to gauge the extent of unemployment amongst blacks and Asians; the degree to which these

minorities were helped by

general Government employ-ment schemes, and whether

specially-targeted schemes

Leeds and Birmingham are

already among the eight Task Force areas set up by the Government in February, in

which Mr Clarke is seeking

particularly to alleviate black

and Asian unemployment through "gentlemen's agree-ments" with contractors who

would be expected to take on

local labour in return for

Government contracts.
Mr Clarke emphasized that

no-one on the unemployment

register would be obliged to

take part in the monitoring, and that no personal records

would be kept. People would

simply be counted in the

categories Afro-Caribbean, Asian and "others".

The Commission for Racial

Equality has backed the

scheme at national level.

pilots are successful.

were needed.

Rapid had a contract with

for Distillers

Corporation.

company and imprisonment of any directors involved. The Gninness investigation took a new twist yesterday as Mr Ivan Boesky, the dissuggestions emerged that two graced American speculator, is American financiers may have known to have approached Mr Gulliver, the chairman of supported Guinness's share price at the time of its £2.7 hillion bid for Distillers. Argyll, apparently offering to support Argyll's bid for . The effect of any price Distillers. At the time Mr Boesky had a large holding of

support operations would be to increase the value of Guinness's bid for Distillers Distillers shares. Mr Gulliver turned down and its chance of succeeding Mr Boesky's offer. Sources in against the rival bid from Argyll. Guinness won the takeover battle in April this the market say that Mr Boesky later used a number of investment businesses he controlled to purchase Guinness shares,

The DTI investigation is focusing the purchases in Guinness and Distillers shares at the time of the bid. In particular it is looking to see wbether there was any insider dealing in these shares and also any evidence of an illegal arrangement by Guinness or other parties to buy its own

Such arrangements would be against section 151 of the Companies Act 1985 and can lead to both a fine on the

Ridley in

rate grants

switch

By Richard Evans Political Correspondent

The Home Counties re-

ceived an early Christmas

present from the Government

last night when Mr Nicholas

Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, promised

extra cash which will prevent

His revised rate support

grant proposals follow the

threat of a Commons revolt by

up to 70 Conservative MPs who claimed the original pro-

gramme would penalize thrifty Conservative-run local

authorities and land rate-

payers in Tory heartlands with

Most shire counties will

benefit from the new alloca-

tions. Surrey will get an extra £8 million in grant, Hertford-shire almost £7 million more

Mr Ridley has switched cash to the Conservative

strongholds at the expense of mainly Labour-controlled ar-

eas. Birmingham will lose £31 million, Derbyshire £12 mil-

lion, and Cleveland £13

than first announced.

huge rate rises.

when Argyll took control.

Mr Gulliver declined to enter into any arrangement with Mr Riklis. Subsequently a subsidiary company of Rapid, called Schenley, purchased Guinness shares.

It subsequently emerged that Schenley held 30 million Guinness shares, representing per cent of Guinness after it had been enlarged.

The size of the stake took Samual Montagu, the merchant bank, advising Argyll, completely by surprise. It had been tracking the Guinness shareholder register and thought that Schenley held only 2 or 3 million shares.

During the course of the bid Samuel Montagu had asked the city's Takeover Panel to investigate whether there had been special arrangments between Guinness and other parties which had not been disclosed. The panel ruled that nothing untoward had happened.

## **Swiss** bank tie to CIA rebel aid

From Michael Binyon Washington

Afghan aod Angolan rebels received covert assistance as a result of arms sales to Iran, a US Government source said

yesierday.

The funds were supplied from a Swiss bank account, controlled by the Central Intelligence Agency, which was also used to supply money to Nicaraguan Contras rebels.

The source confirmed a report in yesterday's H'ashington Post that the US and the Saudi Arahian governments had each deposited \$250 million (£178.5 million) in the ac-count to underwrite rebels fighting Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

A White House spokesman said he had no knowledge of the reported account. A CIA spokeswoman also declined comment.

The Il'ashington Post report said money from the Swiss account was used to buy arms for the Contras when Congress hao forbidden any military support for them.

Congress anger Heart of scandal

Money from the account was used to buy arms which were clandestinely shipped to guerrillas in Afghanistan and, more recently, to Contras in Nicaragua, according to one congressional source.

This version contradicts statements made by Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney-Gen eral, that profits from the Iran arms sales were "deposited" in bank accounts which were under the control of the Contras and their supporters. One source said Mr Meese

may not have been fully informed when he made bis statement on November 25. CREDIBILITY HIT: Vice-President George Bush on Wednesday conceded that d. The panel ruled that untoward had the supported secret arms saies to Iran (AP) reports.

### BCal buys long-range US jets for £700m

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

A £700 million order for hopes to huild the airbus nine American-built MD-11 wings, described the decision long-range jets has been placed by British Caledonian, making it the launch customer as "unsurprising".

A senior BA official said: "We never believed that BCal

for the aircraft. nian had formally been evaluating both the Mc-Donnell Douglas MD-11 and

the proposed European-built A340 airbus, in which Britain has a 20 per cent stake, the airbus was quickly rejected by the independent airline. British Aerospace, which

would be among the first Although British Caledo- customers for the A340 because it plainly does not fit

their requirements."
The MD-11 is an extended version of the existing DC-10, mainstay of the BCal longhaul fleet, more than 400 of which have been sold around the world. It will carry up to Continued on page 20, col 6

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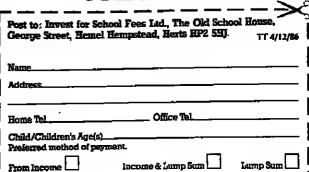
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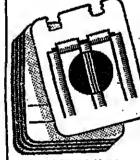
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# Portfolio

 The Times Portfolio Gold daily competition prize of £4,000 was won yesterday by Mr T. Lane of Christchurch, Dorset. Details, page 3. Portfolio list, page 27; how to play, information service, page 20.

#### TIMES BUSINESS P&O bid talks

P & O and European Ferries are bolding merger talks after the Monopolies and Mergers Commission cleared a takeover hid valuing European Ferries at more than £300

#### TIMES SPORT Tour called off

A South African public school has arrived in England for a series of rugby matches in the wake of a decision to call off a tour by the Hedgehogs, a university team from the Republic

#### TIMES JOBS Hidden boon

Self-employment may be a hidden boon for over-45s in the job market and for the organizations for which they perform services, says the introduction to today's sevenpage General Appointments Pages 29 to 35

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#### Mrs Mandela pelted by blacks Cape Town (Reuter) - Mrs Winnie Mandeia, the black Town Supreme Court by a peared angry that Mrs

nationalist leader, was pelted with rubbish and soft drink cans by angry blacks yesterday as she left the trial of a friend who had been convicted of murder, eye-witnesses said. About 200 blacks were said

to have thrown rubbish and township. ing a life sentence. She was aroused passions in the black out the incident

Mr Rupert Murdoch, whose

News Corporation media

group publishes The Times,

The Sunday Times, The Sun

and The News of the World, is

bidding Aus\$1.8 billion (£818 million) for the Herald and

Weekly Times company, the

biggest Australian television,

newspaper and radio station

On one level, the move

strengthens Mr Murdoch's ties

with the country where he was

born and from where he built

up a global communications

empire that now stretches

across Europe and the United

States. However, Mr Murdoch

group.

been convicted along with two man in Cape Town's Guguletu of simmering anger

Sir Keith Murdoch:

'a fine journalist'

Town Supreme Court by a peared angry that Mrs back entrance. She was attending the trial national standing, was of Lindi Mangaliso, who had associating with an unpopular hired killers of murdering her husband Victor, a business-Mandela, aged 51, was aware

sand at Mrs Mandela, wife of The court was hearing ev-Mandela, normally treated the nationalist leader, Mr idence in mitigation before with adulation in black town-Nelson Mandela, who is servpassing sentence. The case has ships, remained cool through-

The witnesses said Mrs

Mr Ridley said new data together with a "substantial number of representations" from Conservative MPs, had persuaded him to revise his

The total grant to councils remains unchanged at £12.8 Conservative MPs who had

been at the forefront of the planned rebellion were de-Parliament, page 4

#### Maze escapers Murdoch buys 'family' newspaper returned to face charges through astute purchases and an acute sense of popular taste

Brendan McFarlane and Gerard Kelly were remanded for bright and interesting newspapers. This may raise the question in custody on charges connected with the mass escape wby Mr Murdoch junior from the Maze prison in 1983 had to pay so much for when they appeared at court H&WT yesterday - having in Lisburn, Co Antrim yesfailed once before to take terday afternoon, about three control in 1979 - instead of hours after their return to Northern Ireland on extradition from the Netherlands. McFarlane, aged 35, and Kelly, aged 33, were flown to Belfast's Aldergrove airport. Jointly, the two men each face seven charges of

imprisoning seven prison offi-Most of Sir Keith's fortune cers on the day of the escape. The magistrate remanded the two men, who were both serving life sentences for terrorist offences, to appear at Belfast Magistrates Court on

Mr Rupert Murdoch: Strengthening ties

strongest and most successful tiny shaped, for many years by disclosures about that gory newspaper group in Australia

over the group on his death.

simply inheriting the company when his father died in 1962. In fact, it was not generall y known that Sir Keith owned no more than a nominal number of shares in H&WT which could give his son no managerial influence

was in other operations. particularly the Adelaide News, which formed the springboard of what is today the News Corporation.

piece of British bungling, the Galipoli campaign," wrote his father, Sir Keith Murdoch. Before taking charge of the one follower of the Australian H&WT group, Sir Keith also has a far closer and more achieved an impressive reputpersonal association with the ation as a journalist. He was After laying down his pen, he built H&WT into the Melbourne-based company - a fine journalist whose career it was managed, and its des- was distinguished by his

#### NEWS SUMMARY

## Police officers in conduct inquiry

The independent Police Complaints Authority is to supervise an investigation into possible criminal conduct by some Derbyshire police officers during an audit hearing into alleged overspending by Mr Alfred Parrish, the former

Mr Alan Elliott, an assistant chief constable of the West Midlands, is to conduct the police investigation into statements made during the District Anditor's public hearing which started last month in Matlock, Derbyshire, into alleged irregularities involving alterations costing £28,000 to Mr Parrish's office at Ripley.

Gay books protest

An official complaint about the open display of explicit homosexual and lesbian literature in a public library has been sent to the left-wing London borough council of Brent by Dr Rhodes Boyson, the Local Government Minister and MP for Brent North.

Io o letter to Brent's chief executive, Dr Boyson said that given the spread of Aids, the exhibition of such material threatened the survival of society. He added that he had received repeated complaints from local parents about the display of the homosexualliterature in o library in Carlton Avenue West in his constituency.

MPs stop

libel case

Two Tory MPs yes-terday withdrew a libel action in the High Court

against Mr Philip Pedley, former chairman of the

A Young Conservatives' report provided the source for allegations in the BBC

Panorama programme for which Mr Neil Hamilton,

MP for Tatton, Cheshire, and Mr Gerald Howarth,

MP for Cannock and

Burtawood, were awarded

damages and costs totalling £280,000 in a libel action.

Young Conservatives.

#### Driver guilty

Carey Styles, aged 48, of Tobruk Road, Huyton, Liverpool, the driver of a coach which crashed on the M6 motorway near Birmingham last year killing three people, was yesterday found guilty of careless driving by magistrates at Solibull.

Keith Weston, aged 35, of Windslow Mews, Car-rickfergus, Northern Ire-land, a lorry driver involved in the accident, was also convicted of careless driv-

#### Tory MP on bail

Mr Tom Arnold (right), vice-chairman of the Conservative Party, was remanded on bail until January 7 when he appeared at Bow Street Magistrates' Court, central London, yesterday.

Mr Arnold, aged 39, of Pimico, MP for Hazel Grove, Greater Manchester, was accused of driving with excess alcohol in Trafalgar Square last

Toesday night.
He is alternatively charged with driving while unfit on the same occasion.

## Probe into Militant

Mr David Hughes, the Labour Party national agent, is to visit Blyth Valley on December 18 to investigate claims of Militant infiltration and intimidation of moderate activists and alleged irregularities in the conduct of constituency

The probe has been launched at the instigation of Mr John Ryman, the MP for the Northumberland mining seat, who has threatened to resign and force a by-election in which he will stand on an auti-Militant platform nuless au urgent inquiry is begun.

# Demystifying the Civil Service on TV

By Michael Evans Whitehall Correspondent

The Civil Service has opened its doors to television cameras to reveal how the "chosen few" are recruited to become the high-fliers destined for the top jobs.

In an attempt to show that not all recruits come from public schools and Oxbridge, the BBC has been allowed to film the selection process for the 100 or so jobs allocated each year, to graduates, for the "fast stream" in the Civil and diplomatic services.

which signed the recent Acas deal with the education

authorities has put together a

compromise package aimed at solving the apparent impasse between the Government and

the local authority employers.

The Professional Association of Teachers, whose 36,000 members are bound

oever to strike, will put its revised plans to Mr Kenneth

Baker, the Secretary of State for Education, at a meeting

If the association receives

encouragement for the blue-

print, Mr Peter Dawson, the

union's general secretary, will seek an appointment with the

employers' leader, Mr John

The initiative is a

middle way between two

divergent views on structuring

teachers' pay. Mr Baker wants

senior staff and good teachers

on top of a basic salary scale ranging from £7,900 to £12,700.

The local authorities have

only two promotion allow-

ances in their deal but higher

salaries in the main pro-

fessional grade, which ranges from £9,700 to £15,058. More-

over, the Acas package is costed at about £690 million

to March 1988, compared with the £608 million which

the Government has pro-

Providing its national coun-

cil approves the new model at

meeting on Saturday, the

association will present Mr

Baker with a plan which will

include four promotion posts

"incentive posts" for

next Thursday.

These are the recruits ex-

Compromise

on teachers'

pay will be

put to Baker

By Mark Dowd, Education Reporter

One of the teaching unions worth £1,000, £1,500, £3,000

pected to reach assistant sec-retary level or above in their the Civil Service selection

This year, for the first time, less than half of the graduate candidates for the "fast stream" come from Oxford and Cambridge.
The candidates are put

through a gruelling interroga-tion by a panel that includes a businessman and an academic as well senior Civil Servants. Yesterday, Mr Dennis Trevelyan, the principal Civil Service Commissioner, said he hoped that the televised interviews would oot put off potential recruits. "I thought

and £4,000, and a main pro-

fessional grade which starts at

Furthermore, in providing promotioo allowances for

about 45 per cent of teachers,

tha association believes it

could be satisfactory to Mr

Baker. His deal provides such

posts for 50 per cent of the

teaching professioo compared with the 23 per cent contained

The union hopes to attract

However, it is almost cer-

tain to be rejected by the two largest unions. The National Union of Teachers has said it

will not accept more allow-

main salary grades, while a ceiling of £14,000 would be

dismissed out of hand by the

National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers.

Moreover, the employers are likely to take a dirn view of

proposing new ideas at a time

when unions members are

being consulted about the

balloting or consulting their

members with results ex-

pected from most of them by

Mr Pearman has arranged a

meeting on December 19 at which he says both sides must

Mr Baker has said he will

impose his own contract on pay and conditions if a

forthcoming by early 1987.

the middle of next week.

agree on a final position

All six unions are either

support from other unions

whose members are voicing

anxieties about compress

io the Acas deal.

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cootroversial attempt to find a ances at the expense of the

£9,500 and ends at £14,000.

he said. The first of two pro-

grammes, part of BBC2's 40 Minutes series, is scheduled for tonight. It shows candidates being given a hard time by the final selection board. Two candidates, both of whom, as it happens, came from Oxbridge but with dif-ferent family backgrounds, are frequently lost for words in the panic to answer the questions intelligently at the final

The two victims of the grilling are Louise Alliott,

applying to join the dip-lomatic service and Timothy Cooke, seeking to enter the Home Civil Service.

Louise, who went to Charterhouse and Cambridge, and is the daughter of a solicitor and farmer, succeeds, even though she failed to solve the Middle East crisis during her 30-minute interrogation.

Tim, aged 25, who went to a state school and Oxford, and worked for the Greater London Council until its demise this April, fails, mainly because he gets on his high horse about the "immorality" of nuclear power.

"outstanding personality" and gave her the benefit of the doubt, in spite of worries expressed by the businessman, Mr David Hunter-Johnston, of Transoceanic Trust, that she had an "alarming" lack of

live next door to a nuclear power station, but the bastard said ves".

basic intelligence. After Tim Cooke's argument over nuclear power, with Mr Hunter-Johnston, he came out, still being filmed, cursing his luck and said to another candidate waiting for inter-view: "I asked him if he would



Mrs Nesta Brown working in the Royal Opera House allet shoe room where she describes her working conditions as "like a prison"

She looks forward to big improvements in facilities and space when renovation plans go ahead in the spring, if the Royal Opera wins planning

About £24 million will have to be raised from benefactors to remove outdated equipment backstage, and provide better working conditions and stor-

age space.
Dressing rooms will have modern facilities and Mrs Brown will not have to descend to an outside but to fetch satisfactory settlement is not | shoes. (Photograph: John Manning). "took favourably" on a private member's Bill, he said.

#### Hurd acts to curb crossbow menace Mr Hurd's announcement

bows.

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, yesterday signalled the beginning of a clampdown on the availability of crossbows (Nicholas Wood writes).

He said he would urge traders not to sell the weapons to people under the age of 17 and he would like to give his

appeal the backing of law. In the absence of an early opportunity for Government legislation, ministers would

came in a written answer to Miss Janet Fookes, the Conservative MP for Plymouth Drake, who has campaigned for curhs on crossbows for the past 10

She said the Home Secretary's decision was "a step in the right direction". Figures collected by some police forces show that in the year to last April there were 115 offences involving cross-

allegations being made by Mr Neil Kinnock, Labour leader, on his visit to the United States, where he is trying to convince American politicians that his policies will not weaken British commitment to Nato. She was asked how she viewed Labour's unilateralist defence policy and the party's intent to pursue a non-provocative posture. Nato, Mrs Thatcher said.

Thatcher

blasts

Labour

on defence

By Peter Davenport Defence Correspondent

Labour's non-nuclear de-

ence policies would seriously

affect the ability of the United

Kingdom to deter aggressioo and would leave the country

open to intimidation, the

Prime Minister said yesterday. They would be dangerous,

wholly ineffective in convioc-

ing the Soviet leadership of

the risks inherent in aggressioo and would increase the

Mrs Thatcher returned to the attack on Labour's plans

in an interview, published yesterday, with the magazine Jane's Defence Weekly.

those of Mr George Younger, the Secretary of State for Defence, to *The Times* earlier

this week in response to

risks of conflict.

was purely a defensive alliance and none of its weapons would ever be used except in response to an attack. The flexibility of response through the full range of weapons capabilities, from conventional to theatre and strategic ouclear forces, was a key element of the strategy.

The Soviet Union should never have the option of escalating an attack to a level at which it might calculate there was no credible Nato response.

"That is why Labour Party policies of unilateral nuclear disarmament and removal of American nuclear bases in the United Kingdom would be so dangerous. They would seri-ously affect our ability to deter aggression and prevent intimidation.

● Two former Labour For-eign Mioisters also attacked Labour's unilateral policy last night as threatening the future of Nato (Sheila Gunn writes).

Lord Stewart of Fulham, Foreign Secretary in the Wilson Government, said:"We are twisting and distorting the strategy of Nato and imposing a very heavy hurden on our

In stronger terms Lord Chalfont, a former Foreign Minister, accused Labour of gambling with the safety of the the West by opting for unilateral disarmament.

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#### Paper silent on dismissals terday, earned £600 a week

Reticence was heavy in the air yesterday at the Communist Morning Star ocwspaper, chief scourge of *The Times* and the other News International titles over their move to Wapping, as details emerged of the paper's own dismissal of a quarter of its printworkers.

Thirty-six members of Sogat '82, the National Graphical Association and the engineering unioo have been made redundant at the paper because of a severe cash crisis

threatening its future.

The redundancies were reported in yesterday's Morning Star. The paper said: "The departments selected for redundancy are those which are uneconomic because of the wage relationship to hours

worked".

The bland language hides a remarkable truth: that even the paper which is the greatest champioo of the traditional print unions has itself had to resort, for its own survival, to dismissal rather than negotiation wheo faced with traditional working practices. The printers concerned, it

was reported elsewhere yes-

£645 fine

for illegal

trader

A man who admitted 15

summonses of illegal street trading was fined a total of

£645 with £60 costs at Wells

Street magistrates yesterday. But Mr David Singleton

the magistrate, told him that if he pays £10 a week until

February 6 the rest of the

John Bishop, of Lorimer

Square, Walworth, south Lon-don, admitted 15 summooses

of illegal street trading at Leather Laoe market, High Holborn, central London,

between August 4 and Sept-

Bishop had been seen sell-ing leather goods from a small

stall to a non-designated area.

Mr James Clark, of Redriff
Road, Plaistow, oorth London, who faces 11 summonses

of illegal street trading at the same market, had his case adjourned until December 30.

He was arrested after a purge

by Camden council.

ember 26.

payments may be remitted.

and actually worked only 45 different from the situation at minutes of their nightly eight- Wapping? hour shift. When asked to perform contract printing work during the seven hours they were idle they refused unless they were paid extra and were dismissed.

The Morning Star was oot keen publicy to acknowledge this yesterday, much less discuss it, surprising perhaps in a paper which champions the Campaign For Press and Broadcasting Freedom.

The Times attempted to contact the editor, Mr Tony Chater. The switchboard operator spoke to his secretary and was told: "Mr Chater has made a statement to the Press Association and is not taking any press calls".

The switchboard operator

said: "I've just tried to put another paper through and he

wouldn't take that".

Five minutes later, after ascertaining that oo statement had been made to the Press Association besides the original one announcing the redundancies on Tuesday night, The Times rang back to ask if one simple question could be put to Mr Chater; How, in essence, was the

situation at the Morning Star

The switchboard operator said: "How is the situation at the Morning Star different from the situation at Wapping? Just a minute."

After another minute this After another minute this helpful lady said: "Hello love? Dave Whitfield, the assistant

editor, is going to type some-thing out and if you hold on I'm to read it to you". After yet a further minute she said: "Are you there, love? Oh dear, look. Now I've been told we're not to make any

comment to anyone from Wapping. All right?" The redundancy terms offered have caused considerable ill-feeling among the dismissed men. They have been offered one month's notice, with one week's pay for every year of service, in line with the Government mini-

The 5,100 printworkers dismissed after going on strike when Mr Rupert Murdoch's News International moved its four papers, including The Times, to its new plant at Wapping, east London, have been offered a month's pay for every year of service.

#### Times not stocked by 2 councils

Only two local authorities are not providing The Times m public libraries after the High Court ruling last month that such bans are unlawful.

They are the Loodon boroughs of Brent and Newham. Brent is maintaining the ban introduced in June, while Newham has rescinded the ban in theory, hut has withdrawn all newsprint and newspaper publications while it "reviews its newspaper provisioo" policy.

Mr R P Brenton, Newham's director of leisure services, said yesterday that the review was being carried out by elected members who had been nominated by a full meeting of the couocil. Mr Brentoo said he did not

know if *The Times* and the other banned News International titles - The Sunday Times, The Sun and The News of The World - would be restocked after the review is completed next Wednesday. More than twenty councils originally baoned News International titles.

The Reith Lectures

## 'Bill of Rights has dangers'

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

and accountable MPs to

"Why it should be supposed that elderly lawyers with cau-tious and backward-looking habits of thought are qualified to overrule the judgements of democratically elected leg-islators as to what ... is justified I do not profess to

understand". To transfer such power to a body of professional special a charter was that they could ists is 10 abdicate "a real measure of democratic responsibility," he said.

He also warned that such a But the other side of that

Bill would encourage "single issue fanancs" like the American prohibitionists in the

His comments, made in his

The dangers of a Bill of fifth Reith Lecture on Radio Rights, which would involve a shift of power from elected renewed attempt next week in the Commons to introduce a and accountable MPs to the Commons to introduce a judges who are not, were highlighted by a High Court try through incorporating the European Convention on HuLord McCluskey, solicitor general for Scotland under the last Labour government, said:

Sir Edward Gardner, OC.

Sir Edward Gardner, QC. chairman of the home affairs select committee, will introduce his Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms Bill oo December 10 - Human Rights Day. Lord McCluskey said that

ooe of the main arguments in favour of entrenching rights in a charter was that they could

But the other side of that coin was that it also enabled a particular coalition of interest groups, who managed to win a sufficient majority at the time the charter was enacted, to

ensure their special interest was entrenched as a right.

An example was the eighteenth amendment to the American constitution introducing prohibition, Lord McCluskey added, which was seen as the crowning achievement of those wanting to save the republic from the corrupting effects of alcohol, the saloon and the movies and all sios robbing it of its purity".

Such a right in future could ool be altered by Parliament.

A Bill of Rights was oot the

"gateway to the promised land", he said. The question was whether it was necessary and whether its advantages outweighed its disadvantages for the UK.

li would be hard to argue that such Bills succeed in preserving the fundamental rights of citizens in countries where they exist more than the ordinary law as applied in the UK. he said.

# Thatcher blasts Labour on defence By Peter Davenport Defence Correspondent

Labour's non-nuclear de fence policies would eriody affect the ability of the United Kingdom to deter appression And would leave the county open to intimidation the open to mannation the Prime Minister send yesterday wholly ineffective in convincional the Soviet leadership in ing the Soviet leadership of

the risks inherent in agent sion and would increase the risks of conflict.

Mrs. Thatcher returned to the attack on Labour's plan in an interview published by yesterday, with the magazine

Her comments remined those of Mr George Volumer the Secretary of State to Defence, to The Trace calls upon the Secretary of State to Defence to The Trace calls upon the Secretary of Secretary Secretar this week in response to allegations being made by Mr Allegations being made by Mr Neil Kinnock, Labour leader on his visit to the United States, where he is trying to convince American both ticians that mi policies will have weaken British commis not weaken British commit ment to Nate

She was asked how the viewed Labour : unglaterals defence policy one the pany intent to pursue a non-pmon ative posture,

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## Police 'more likely to side with wife-beater than battered woman'

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

A policeman called to a woman, it was claimed yesterday.

The London Police Monitoring and Research Group, funded by nine left-wing London horoughs and Research Group, domestic violence, which "in-London boroughs, calls for instant police intervention. better police training, more women judges and better-

funded women's refuges. It says rape within marriage beating made grounds for eviction in council tenancy agreements.

In a hriefing paper, the toup says that more than home each week and argues that "undue expectations" have been raised over the power of civil injunctions to

prevent abuses.

The police will not enforce an injunction unless there is a power of arrest attached - even then they rarely arrest the offending man.

"This is despite the fact that police inaction can, and has, led to the death of the woman at the hand of the man

concerned." A woman who had showed a letter to a police officer warning that a man had assaulted her was later murdered by him, the paper said. The officer did not read the letter fully, saw the man off the premises and left.

Later that night the man returned, the woman jumped out of the first-floor window to escape him and he killed

The report says: "This horrifying case clearly illustrates the limitation of domestic violence proceedings and emphasizes the need for the police to take positive action to protect the woman.

fails test

for taste

By Robin Young

Low-alcohol lagers and wines do not taste much like

the real thing, according to this mooth's issue of the

Wine experts found the low-

alcohol brands they sampled

unexciting, and some said they would prefer to drink

fruit juice or even tap water. The low-alcohol drinks

which won most approval were Swan Special Light and

Dansk LA among the lagers and Masson Light White and

Eisberg White among the

Drinkers could consume 22

times as much low-alcohol

wine as ordinary wine before

reaching the same level of

Four cans of the preferred

Which? also attacksthe

chocolates you huy this

Christmas, saying they could

be last year's leftovers because

they do not have to be date-

marked. The magazine is also

dissatisfied that the ingredi-

ents of chocolates do not have

to be declared in the same way

Which? says that all ingredi-

ents, including any additives, should be listed, and a 'best before' date provided on all

pre-packed chocolate

low-alcohol lagers were

roughly equivalent to one standard can.

alcohol intake.

as most foods.

found.

"A policeman is more likely domestic dispute is more to identify with the wife-likely to side with the wife-beater than the battered woman", the document says. figures in England and Wales for 1984. According to the Metropolitan Police working party oo domestic violence, only 360 out of 19,002 serious assaults were recorded be-

tween spouses.

Yet in 1984 more than

4,500 women convinced the

courts that they had been

physically injured and were in

serious danger of being at-tacked by their husbands and

partners. Most of the men

were never charged.

Miss Jo Richardson, La-

bour MP for Barking, said

yesterday there were es-timated to be at least 100,000

cases of domestic violence a year in London alone. She

would certainly be looking

closely at the need for new

The report is to be sent to the Lord Chancellor, Home Secretary and Metropolitan

Mr Don Cassidy, executive director of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Pol-

ice, said in Ottawa yesterday

that coping with domestic

violence represented a "large factor" in Canadian policing

operations (John Best writes).

Society's concern had grown noticeably in the past

three or four years, driven partly by the efforts of

women's groups to draw

Law enforcement authori-

ties had responded in a num-

ber of ways. Police were now

not so reluctant to intervene

in family violence, and deal-

ing with such disputes was now part of their training.

Professional actors were

sometimes used as role

New share

service to

go on trial

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

A new telephone service which will tell Sid and the

growing millions of stock

ments of more than 1,700

shares will be continuously fed

through a special computer.
The information will then be

converted into speech by a

memory that contains pre-

recorded elements of speech it is the latest advance in

voice-processing technology being tested by British Tel-

The subscriber will only

need a touch tone telephone or

a new device called an MF4

tone keypad that fits over the mouthpiece of a telephone to obtain the latest bulletin. Push

buttons will be used to key in a

password and a code identify-

During the trial period there

will be no subscription charges. The only cost will be the telephone call, charged at

33p a minnte between 8.00am and 6.00 pm and 22p a minnte overnight and at weekends.

The Citycall financial in-

formation services were devel-oped initially for professional

and business organizations in

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attention to it.

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Police Commissioner.

The paper criticizes the lack of reliable information gathplanning, and militates against effective prevention. thereby exposing more women to further risk".

It recommends that independent rather than depenshould be outlawed and wife-dent status should be given to immigrant women, domestic violence law should be extended to noo-cohabitating men, non-physical molesta-tion should become grounds 1,000 London women become for arrest, and injunctions victims of violence in the should be widened to restrain third parties acting on behalf of the offending man.

The paper also says the granting of injunctions should be speeded up and domestic violence made a consideration in child access cases.

The police reluctance to make use of the criminal law to deal with domestic violence defined that violence as less criminal than violence outside the home. Rather than arresting the man, the police tended either to ignore evidence of injuries or to define them as common assault.

Preliminary results of the Islington Crime Survey by Middlesex Polytechnic Centre of Criminology in 1985 showed a high level of violence. In the attacks, 92 per cent of women were punched or slapped; 57 per cent were

In 22 per cent of incidents weapons were used, ranging from bottles and glasses to knives, scissors, sticks, clubs and other blunt objects.

Liberty

to shop

in peace

By David Cross

Readers of The Times will

have a second chance to avoid

the usual crush of Christmas

shopping when Liberty stores

Consumers' Association around the country open their market investors what their magazine. Which?, published doors especially for them next shares are worth is to go on

magazine. Which?, published today.

Lager drinkers who tried I1 low-alcohol versions of the brew could tell the difference between them and the standard product in two out of every three cases, Which?

Tuesday night.

A spokeswomen for Liberty said yesterday that the first like the first last Tuesday, was an unqualified success. Before the Regent Street branch opened at 6.30 be tested by 50 to 100 shareholders.

The latest prices and movements of more than 1.700 more than 1.700.

pm, the queue of shoppers stretched twice round the block. The store had sold as many goods in the two-and-a-half hours which followed as it

would during an entire Christ-

Despite the crowds, which

thinned out as the evening

wore on, it was all rather

elegant, said Jane MacQuitty,

pondent, who was signing copies of her Pocket Guide to

Champagne and Sparkling

A wind quintet from the Cheisea Symphony Orchestra played in the silk department and a harpist entertained buy-

ers in the fashion section as

shoppers sipped glasses of free

Shopa Crawford Poole, The

Times Cook Book.

During the evening, the company's uine stores around

the country gave away 11/2 tons

of rose-scented soap and 578 gallons of wine.

The Times Wine Corres-

mas shopping day.

Wine in the store . .

In some larger cities several police patrol cars carried, in The inadequacy of police addition to policemen, qualirecording practices was shown fied social workers capable of in a specially commissioned dealing with situations involvanalysis of the serious assault ing family violence.



A tormented Anthony Hopkins, who plays the lead role in King Lear, during a dress rehearsal for the production directed by David Hare, which opens at the National Theatre's Olivier Theatre in London on December 11 (Photograph: Nobby Clark)

## Puzzle over Aids infection

The husband and youngest child of a woman who died from Aids two months ago are also carriers of the infection, a medical investigation has

disclosed. Doctors are trying to discover whether the woman was infected during a blood transfusion five years ago, or whether the disease was transmitted sexually between her and her hasband.

They are also hoping to establish whether the couple's baby son was infected during

pregnancy or after he was The woman died two mouths

ago in Newcastle upon Tyne general hospital, Her husband and their son, aged 23 months, were tested and found to be

# Lecturer

of fraud By Craig Seton

A senior lecturer with finan-cial problems was able to withdraw \$286,000 from a bank account which should have contained only \$286. Birmingham Crown Court

was told yesterday.

A bank in the United States made an error when transferring the \$286, the court was told.

It was alleged that Mr Hamid Shadrokh-Cigari, aged 32, acted with "amazing speed and dishonesty" and used some of the money to order two Porsche cars, huy expen-

sive TV and video equipment. Mr James Pyke, for the prosecution, said that only a few thousand pounds had been recovered. Mr Shadrokh-Cigari, a lecturer in computer studies at Birmingham Polytechnic, was alleged to have hidden the money in a variety of bank and building society

accounts. Mr Shadrokh-Cigari, of Perry Common, Birmingham, denies obtaining £197,000 from the Midland Bank, by deception, and four charges of stealing bankers' drafts.

The trial continues today.

the City, but they are being extended to cater for the widening population of A shopper who spent £10,000 on gifts at the Regent Street store received 200 £5 investors. The service is likely to be

ecom.

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent seropositive for traces of the gave birth to her first son five virus, but have no symptoms of the disease.

> The possible explanations are that a contaminated blood transfusion cansed the woman's infection; that the husband was infected first and transmitted the virus sexually been contacted. to his wife, without showing symptoms of the disease; that as saying that he now realized the wife was infected from a previous sexual partner and passed the virus to her

Details of the case were reported yesterday in The Journal, the Newcastle newspaper, but names of the family

were not disclosed. The report said that the woman was given blood from and education strategy to halt two separate donors when she the spread of the virus.

years ago, three years before her marriage. That child has not been infected.

One of the donors has been traced and and cleared of being a carrier, but the other has moved home and not yet The husband was reported

the truth of the government publicity campaign that every-one was at risk from Aids. • Nottingham Health Authority is to appoint an Aids liaison officer, on a £12,500 a

year salary. The officer will be expected to develop a public information

#### Siege man admits he killed woman

A man had a "considerable change of heart" at the Central Criminal Court yesterday and admitted killing a young mother and severely wounding her daughter, aged four,

during a siege. Errol Walker, aged 29. admitted the manslaughter of Jackie Charles, aged 22, but still denied murdering her. He also changed his plea

and admitted other charges of seriously wounding Mrs Char-les's daughter Carlene during the 29-hour siege at a council flat in Poynters Gardens, Northolt, west London, last

Mr Justice Alliott told the jury. "There ohviously has been a very considerable change of heart by the defendant".

The prosecution said that it needed until today to decide whether it could accept his plea of manslaughter. The decision will be based on psychiatric evidence.

Walker had spent two days listening to evidence that he stabbed Mrs Charles and then tortured her daughter during

The daughter's ordeal an knifepoint was ended when police stormed into the flat. shot Walker in the head and rescued her, the prosecution has sold the court.

When Walker appeared in court yesterday Mr Christopher Barnett, for the defence, asked for the charges to be put again.

In a faltering, almost in-audible voice Walker said he was not guilty of murder, but guilty of manslaughter and then went on to admit three charges of wounding the girl, causing her grievous bodily harm, falsely imprisoning her

and threatening to kill. He still denies attempting to

murder the girl.

Mr Julian Bevan, for the prosecution, has said that Walker, of Tachbrook Road, Southall, west London, took Carlene and her mother hostage while searching for his wife, Marlene,

Police officers first saw Carlene's mother hurled from the window, dying form stab wounds. Walker then turned on the terrified child. Police officers saw him hack the girl's fingers with a knife, Mr Bevan said. "Blood was pouring from her wounds. Although obviously very frightened she did

not scream."
The trial continues today.

## Checking confirms

windfall of the £4,000 Portfolio Gold prize, Mr Tom Lane, of Stourway, Christchurch, Dorset, had to check his wife's calculations after she had added up the numbers on the winning card three times and still thought she might have got the total wrong. "My arithmetic is so bad", she said.

The Lanes have been regular Portfolio players since the competition began. They plan to use part of their winnings for their first holiday in two years, which they will spend with their children, aged 15 and 12.

The couple are both aged 38 and Mr Lane is a self-emptoyed manufacturer's

Mrs Jane Lane said yes-terday: "I have been spending the money in my head and telling myself to calm down ever since breakfast time. It will be nice to have the extra cash for Christmas as well as the holiday."

Readers who wish to play the game can obtain a Portfolio Gold card by sending a stamped, addressed envelope

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Mr Tom Lane, planning a family holiday.

#### **Man bites thief**

Gabarone (Reuter) - Police said a Botswana householder acted in self-defence when he hit off a hurglar's ear.

#### marketed early next year. **BBC** unveils Christmas shows

## EastEnders star in £17.5m package

The best-known public house io Britain is throwing open its doors on Christmas

The Queen Vic in Albert Square will be featured in two episodes to give BBC viewers a double helping of the soap opera EastEnders during the

The double dose of EastEnders is part of the BBC's £17.5 million line-up of television programmes for the Christmas season, which also bring Noel Edmonds back on the screens live for the first time since the tragedy which ended his Late Late Breakfast

In Christmas Morning with Noel Edmonds he will reunite families in Britain with loved ones in Australia. Noel will be in Loodoo's British Telecom Tower to link up with Melbourne and Sydney to bring families together - including those of some of England's

cricket team. Noel, whose Late Late Breakfast Show was scrapped when Mr Michael Lush, a viewer, died rehearsing a stunt, will also host a special celebrity edition of Telly Addicts. The current Telly Ad-



Mr Noel Edmonds: back on the BBC at Christmas. dicts series was recorded

before the tragedy.

Christmas Day also promises comedy from Paul Nicholas and Jao Francis in the last episode of Just Good Friends. David Jason and Nicholas Lyndhurst in a feature-length Only Fools and Horses, and Russ Abbot in his own show.

Joan Hickson will be back as Miss Marple in Agatha Christie's Murder at the Vicarage, and the Christmas Day fare also includes the British TV film premiere of Educat-

musical Annie. The Queen's Christmas Broadcast will go out in the afternoon on BBC1 and be repeated later on BBC2 with subtitles and "signing" for the

Comedy is at the forefront with seasonal specials from Kenny Everett and Stanley Baxter, Christmas editions of 'Allo 'Allo, Hi-de-Hi! and In Sickness and in Health, the

start of a new series of the Last of the Summer Wine, and some of the Christmas classics of Morecambe and Wise.

BBC stars in their own programmes meiude Paul Daniels, Bob Monkhouse, Les Dawson, Jimmy Savile, Rus-sell Harty and Roland Rat and Terry Wogan will be seen meeting Dallas stars Larry Hagman and Linda Gray.

Michael Crawford will bring his hit musical Barnum to TV screens, and viewers will be able to go to the celebrity dinner celebratiog Sir Harry Secombe's 40 years in show

Drama on the two networks

include Alan Ayekbourn's

Season's Greetings, with Geof-

ing Rita, with Michael Caine frey Palmer and Anna Massey, and Julie Walters and the Keith Waterhouse's Slip-Up, about Great Train Robber Ronnie Biggs and Hannah Gordon in an adaptation of a Thomas Hardy tale, Day after

Feature films during the BBC's two-week festive season include Tootsie, with Dustin Hoffman, Steven Spielberg's Poltergeist and 1941, Paul Newman in The Verdict and Meryl Streep in Sophie's Choice. Music programmes will ca-

ter for a wide variety of tastes. Pavarotti's Jubilee will cele-brate the tenor's 25 years at the top, an 80th birthday portrait of composer Aaron Copland will be screened, and there will be a ballet for Boxing Day - Ocegin.

Seasonal music will also come from Aled Jones, James Galway and Val Doonican,

Esther Rantzen will continue her campaign against child abuse with a Childwatch update, and there will be a Review of the Year with Peter

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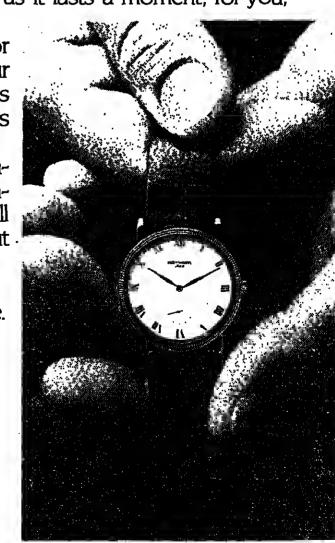
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## Commission on security is called for by Owen

#### SECURITY

In the light of the Peter Wright case, which was a damaging farce, the case for maintaining the old system of trusting minsters alone to scrutinize the security services was no longer sustainable, Dr David Owen. Leader of the SDP, said when opening an Alliance debate in

the Commons.

He moved a motion calling for the appointment of a joint committee of both Houses, to be known as the Special Commis-sion on the Security Services. with power to send for persons. papers and records.

He said that it was common ground that at a nime of in-creased terrorist activity world-wide, and problems with East-West relations, Britain needed

its security services.
Those services had to operate with a very high degree of secrecy and it was accepted that questioning on the floor of the House was an inappropriate mechanism for calling them to account.

account.

But there was also a growing concern that it was oo longer possible, with the degree of revelations occuring, for Parliament to remain the only forum not discussing the issues raised. It was a hizare situation in which the newspapers, television and radio were frequently discussing these issues in considerable detail and yet there was no mechanism for parliamentary scrutiny.

liamentary scrutiny.

He was sorry that the Prime Minister was not in the cham-ber. It was Mrs Thateher who, for very understandable rea-sons, in 1979 broke with the precedent of not revealing information about the security services. The situation was exceptional The Blunt case was an issue on which the nation would not have accepted no discussion in the Commons.

But when Mrs Thatcher kept quoting past precedent she must face the fact that she was the first Prime Minister to reveal so much information on the floor of the House, More information was revealed when the Prime and Bettaney cases followed.

More and more people were realizing that the old system, of totally trusting the ministers concerned, was not going to satisfy either Parliament or the wider rubble.

There was now a very strong case for devising a mechanism so that the House could have confidence that the security services were being serutinized while protecting the essential confidentiality and secrecy of much of their activity. much of their activity.
The special commission sug-

gested in the motion was delib-erately designed to involve members of both Houses. That had positive merit, given the range of experience represented

in the Lords.
It would also allow for the commission to have a chairman who was not a party political figure, or somebody who was no longer in the front line of party politics, such as a former prime senior servicemen and civil

servants could be included. The commission members would be privy counsellors and, if an outsider was appointed, that person could be made a privy counsellor. The appointment of outsiders would go some way towards avoiding the charge that the people involved would only be those in the know or part of the club, and ensure a good deal of cross-party sup-

The sooner such a commis-sion was established, and it was

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Advance Petroleum Revenue Tax Bill, remaining stages.

Lords (3): Recognition of Trusts Bill, Ministry of Defence Police

Bill, and Broadcasting Bill, sec-ond readings. Debate on pro-

electricty supply industry were

both accused yesterday of

inertia and apathy in failing to promote a pioneering form of

energy technology that could

double the efficiency of coal-

The accusation, made in a

Commons select committee

report, will cause considerable

embarrassment in Whitehall.

At the very moment it was

Walker, Secretary of State for

Energy, was praising the

'outstanding success" of the

Government's Energy Efficiency Year which ends this

The energy select com-

mittee's report reviews pro-

gress made since the Energy Act, 1983, which, among other

on every electricity board to

"adopt and support" joint

public and private sector

schemes to convert power

stations so that heat given off

in electricity generation can be

ferred to water, which would then be piped to hospitals.

This heat would be trans-

Proponents of Combined £10).

month.

fired power stations.

damaging to the security services. It would also avoid the abuse of the order paper by which individuals had been marned in recent weeks.

Mr Raymond Whitney (Wycombe, C) asked how such a mechanism would have prevented the recruitment of

Dr Owen said he did not believe it would have prevented that, nor could it prevent some people indulging in treachery. The recruitment procedures at M15 had been seriously defec-tive but former prime ministers

had tightened them up. He had been advocating such a commission for years, and the motion was not purely and simply a response to the present In the Peter Wright case, it

has common ground that Wright had betrayed the trust of those who employed him and betrayed the trust of this country. and any government would have been extremely disturbed by his briefing Chapman Pincher for his book in 1981. The Government ought to have been concerned about the have been concerned about the Granada television programme in July 1984 which was a flagrant breach of Wright's agreements. Now Wright had gone on to write his own book. He wanted nothing be said today to underwrite Wright's book which was utterly disputately.

The Government had been under considerable pressure to take the court action in Sydney but those who supported that action were entitled to ask the Government why it did not take action against Peter Wright when they knew be was a prime source for Pincher's book in

Allegations had been made, most recently and clearly in *The* Sunday Times, about MI5 having gained posession of that book six weeks in advance of its publication by the use of illegal methods. Were they illegal methods? Whal sort of min-isterial approval had to take place before MIS could act illegally? Was such action given specific authorization by the then Home Secretary in this

Mr Ian Gow (Eastbourne, C) asked how action could have been taken against Wright when he was living outside jur-isdiction.

Dr Owen said it may have been difficult to take action against Wright immediately, but he had been in Britain since 1981. Indeed, in 1984 be appeared in the Granada televisioo pro-gramme which was being re-peated tonight. He was amazed that the programme was being RO OUI form of challenge. Why did the then Home Secretary and the Prime Minister not take action? There was no doubt that Wright had been in Britaio for the

programme The word used most often to describe what had been happening in Sydney was farce. It had already damaged the reputation of a very senior and hitherto well respected senior civil ser-Robert Armstrong.

It had not done the Government any good, though be did not believe the public would take it out on the Government in terms of party politics. He thought they were rather enjoy-ing this running farce. They were all sorry Mr

Kinnock was not there and the absence of the Prime Minister was very revealing. Yesterday, Mrs Thatcher had given the impression that she was going to withdraw the normal rights of consultation with the Leader of

Although it was bizare that Mr Kinnock had got on the lelephone to the defence counsel in a case involving the Crown, he was more of a fool than a

that only 32 per cent of the

latent energy in coal is used in the generation of electricity. Through CHP 70 per cent of

coal's energy could be tapped.

ever, that the Energy Act which was intended to

encourage the development of

combined heat and power by

the electricity supply industry has actually had the reverse

The industry, for which

CHB means electricity genera-

tion passing into the private

sector, "does not have any

commercial incentive to pro-

continued to regard beat as a

by-product of electricity gen-

prevails among the institu-

tions with the real power to

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phan technology will be pre-

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The Government, mean-

while, had failed to show the

Committee (Stationery Office;

political will necessary.

Sixth report of the Energy

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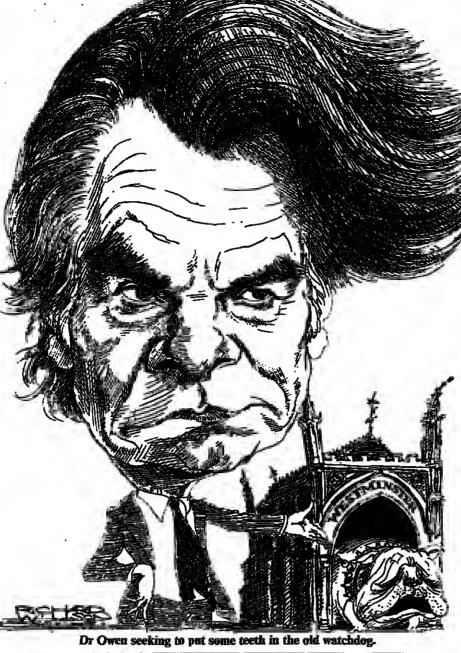
mote this technology"

The report concludes, how-

of being apathetic

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

The Government and the Heat and Power (CHP) say



would be ludicrous to break that convention on such scant grounds. Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, moved a government amendment saying the House had full confidence in the

present arrangements whereby the security services were responsible to ministers. He said he could not answer questions relating to the case in Australia. The Speaker had ruled that the case was not sub indice so far as the rules of the House were concerned, but so far as the Government was concerned it was sub judice

under the Australian judge because the British Government was a plaintiff in his court. Therefore, so long as the case remained before the Australian courts, and that might be some time yet, the Government must deny itself the opportunity of dealing with the extraordinary mass of stories to which the case

had given rise. There were many comments the Government would dearly like to make, faced with such a high proportion of nonsense, and one day it might be free to make them but, because of the continuing case, that day was

not now. Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, terest was served by concealing from Parliament and the public the knowledge that the Prime Mioister of the day, Mr Harold Wilson, had his offices and telephone intercepted and his homes burgled by the security services which were supposed to be accountable to him.

Mr Hurd said that that matte had been dealt with by Mr Wilson and others at the time. Dr Owen accepted the need for a security service to protect Britain. He got a little weary with those worldly wise but ignorant people who argued that Britain no longer had secrets to protect and therefore no longer remained and the security ser

vice was an essential part of the means by which the Govern-ment sought to protect the British people To be effective, the security services must be secretive. There must also be a hinding

obligation on members of the security service for the whole of their lives not to disclose what was entrusted to them on a confidential basis. The interests of the nation as a whole might ond readings. Debate on pro-posed oil pipeline through the New Forest.

he was more of a fool than a knave, and it would be nieve and juvenile if the Prime Min-

in favour of encouraging farm-

ers to plant forests on good

quality, but unwanted, farm-

land, backed up by more

Its report supports pro-

posals being considered by Mr Michael Jopling, Minister for

Agriculture, on finding other

uses for the land acceptable to

farmers, environmentalists and the Treasury.

come with his rivals at the

Department of Environment

who are worried about the

effects of large afforestation

Lord Gallacher, urges an investigation into exempting

forestry schemes from capital

gains tax. It also criticizes the

way the tax exemption scheme

does not benefit small farm-

ers, who have to rely on grant aid to plant woodland. But the

EEC should also accept some

financial responsibility for

replacing food crops with

Present estimates show that

£4,500 million worth of tim- (Stationery Office; £4,60).

Britain imports about

forestry, it states.

The committee, chaired by

But it will not be so wel-

generous tax iocentives.

some members of the Iraqi armed forces received training at Ministry of Defence establishments in the United Kingsom in each of the years 1981 to 1986, Mr Timothy Reuton, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said during Commons questions. A small number of Iranian military personnel also received training at these establishments in the UK between 1981 and 1984. Mr Robert Wareing (Liverpool, West Derby, Lab): On what moral principle has the Government's policy been based? Could he assure us that no further military personnel will be trained in this country from either Iran or Iraq and that be will investigate the activities of Jackob Nimrodi, who has a stat in London and, I understand, negotiates 80 per cent of Iran's imported arms procurement imported arms procurement from an office in Victoria Street.

Will he arrange for that office to be closed forthwith? Mr Renton: The training of try is done only in line with defence guidelines. It is essentially non-combat related. On his last point, I have read

these newspaper cuttings very carefully too and we have no evidence of any illegal activity in relation to the purchasing of arms either for Iran or Iran

through this country.

Such purchasing arrangements are not illegal. What would be illegal is to try to export without a licence. If there is any evidence of that being done it will be investigated

Mr Robert Jackson (Wantage, C): Is it not in the interests of Britain and the West to seek to hring down the self-imposed Mr Rentou: Yes, We will as a long-term objective seek to establish a better relationship with the Iranian Government. Mr Ernest Ross (Dundee West, Lab): What difference is there between America and Israel selling arms to both sides and us training personnel from both

Mr Renton: The nu have been extremely limited. Their training is essentially not combat-related and is only done Ministers accused | Call for more tax

planted will see that figure

drop to about 80 per cent by

has been in Scotland, mainly

of conifers on poor quality

debated in the Lords, states:

The committee recognize

that forestry is a potential use

for better quality land coming

"They are sceptical however about the amount of land

be planted and whether the

emphasis being placed on the

use of broadleaves would be

Most witnesses told the

peers that they favoured the

use of better quality land

because of the damage caused

to upland areas and wildlife.

such as the red grouse, by dense plantations. The com-

mittee accepted that the habi-

tats of threatened wildlife

species also need protection.

House of Lords Select Com-mittee on the European

Communities: Forestry Policy

out of agriculture.

economically viable."

The report, which will be

the end of the century. But

aid for forests

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

tee today comes out strongly needs. The new forests being

A House of Lords' commit- ber a year - 90 per cent of its

## Iraqi soldiers get some UK training

IRAN-IRAQ guidelines first put into effect in Sir John Farr (Harborough, C): What evidence does he have that

training in the use of very sophisticated weapons is taking sophisticated weapons is uning place by other European coun-tries and in particular France? Mr Renton: We are not respon-sible either for training in other

countries.

What we urge — and this is part of the campaign in which we have taken part not least at the United (Nations — is that all countries who are suppliers of military equipment to either side should exercise as strict guidelines as we do Britain had taken the lead at the conference on disarmament

in Geneva on seeking a worldwide ban on the production and storing of chemical weapons, Mr Timothy Renton, Minister of State for Foreign and Common-He was replying to Mr Ian

Mikardo (Bow and Poplar, Lab), who said that Britain should get together with its friends and allies to try to find some way of stopping or reduc-ing the supply from Europe to Iran or Iraq of chemical weap-ons or equipment to make them.

## Third set of plans for rate support derided by Labour

A third set of proposals for calculating rate-support grant to local authorities for next year local anthorities for next year has been made necessary because the data on which the grant would be based have changed. Mr Nicholas Ridley. Secretary of State for the Environment, said when he answered Opposition crincisms about his change of mind. Mr John Cumungham, Opposition spokesman on environment, said that the new basis for the grant was the result of a

ment, said that the new basis for the grant was the result of a combination of Mr Ridley's ineptitude and of his desire to make a political pay-off to Conservative MPs with mar-ginal seats. A Liberal accused him of gerrymandering, saying that he had introduced a new version of that device — Ridleymandering. Mr Ridley, answering Mr Cunningham's request for a

statement, said: In response to the proposals I made on October and in the light of new information affecting the data on which the grant is distributed. I have today announced revised proposals on which I am consulting local authority assertitions.

unprecedented situation. No previous secretary of state has ever needed three consultative documents between July and December to make up his mind. It is an indictment of his

incompetence.
It is an indictment of the appalling mess to which the Government has reduced local government finance. Why, when he only made his second when he only made his second proposals in October and gave local authorities barely three weeks to reply does he now change his mind yet again?

What is the purpose of the proposed changes? Which authorities will benefit? The major-

ity of authorities will lose by the new proposals. The reasons are a combination of his ineptinde a combination of his ineptitude and a political pay-off to his Tory friends in marginal seats. When will we learn of the final decisions? Does he intend to abolish grant recycling which, according to the Treasury and Mr Ridley, will reduce grant to local authorities by at least £400 million next year. The result will be higher rates for many millions of families.

The whole sorty story makes

The whole sorry story makes nonsense of the bluster and bravado we had from him in

Mr Ridley: It is rich of Mr Cunningham to quote precedent when Mr Peter Shore (a former Secretary of State for the Environment) is there. Whenever he made proposals for the

**RATE SUPPORT** grant settlement, he came once,

in December, to answer a writ-ien questioo saying what his decision was. By contrast, this Government has consulted, has put forward a nas consultation paper on October 3 consultation paper on October 3 and listened to the results. I have now put forward further proposals and will listen to

further representations.

What an extraordinary example he wishes me to follow — to slap it down in December without consultation. I cannot accept that I shall make up my mind about the final settlement when I have listened to the representations which may be received after these proposals.

The Government is proceed-

ing with plans to end recycling grant, as announced oo July 22. The reasons for the decision were the latest data on populawere the fatest data on popula-tions, capital allocations and expenditure in 1986-87 and about rateable values of authori-nes which make it clear that the basis of the October 3 settlement has been altered by the fact that the data had changed, making the authorities which did badly in October do even worse. It has been made necessary to correct

the imbalance. Mr John Heddle (Mid Staffordshire. C): His consultations with MPs over the past month have been much appreciated (Labour laughter).

Mr Ridley: I have tried to listen and to make the necessary changes. We shall be more than willing to hear any MP who wishes to make representations on behalf of his authority in the light of the new proposals.

Mr Simon Hughes (Southwark and Bermondsey, L): This is a new form of gerrymander — the Ridleymander — huying votes where his friends would otherwise lose their seats by a system which they set up in 1980. The real reason is that Mr Ridley wants to know the outcome of the teachers' settlement before he knows what local authorities will require to spend for the

forthcoming year.
Mr Jeremy Hayes (Harlow, C):
I welcome his sensitive and
flexible approach to this matter (more laughter).

Mr Ridley: It has not been a question of seeking to reward certain authorities and penalizwithin the 1980 Act and make sure that what I do is to distribute the grant in accordance with the formula, on the basis which is the best defensible.

# Defence change 'peril' Lord Thorneycroft, Secretary of State for Defence in the Macmillan Government, said it would be perilous to change drastically Britain's defence policut at this time. Since the

icy at this time. Since the Second World War there had been a consensus in Britain on defence and this had ensured

Opening a debate in the bave got to recognize, as all the main political parties have until now, that without the United would be virtually impossible. We have surely got to keep the American broadly with us.

seeking to increase Britain's nuclear fire power by 800 per cent at a time when the superpowers were talking of a 50 per-cent cut in ouclear weapons.

"I believe in the special relationship with the United lot more than the tame accep-tance of Mr Reagan's policies.

The only way to avoid the risk of cooflict is by comprehensive arms control and relying on conventional arms for our defence. This desire for nuclear He added that a change in disarmament is at the h policy could lead to Britain's Labour's defence policy.

#### States the defence of Europe

#### Winter payments Scheme 'has to be changed'

**PENSIONERS** 

improve home insulation and

increase energy efficiency. That

would greatly reduce ill health and improve the housing stock. Mr John Major, Minister for Social Security, moved a government amendment wel-

coming the considerable im-provement in support with

heating costs for vulnerable

groups through the supple-mentary benefit scale rates, weekly heating additions and

better targeted arrangements for help during periods of excep-tionally cold weather.

He said that, despite what Mr Meacher had to say, the number of deaths in 1984-85 had been

638, last year it had been 634 and the average was 543. The

highest figure in the past 10 years had in fact occurred in 1978-79 when 725 had been

needed no lectures from the

It was true that winter mortal-

ptember statement. 'Is it an absolute pledge, in

recorded, so the Govern

Opposition.

The following is a summary of Commons debates that appeared in later editions of this news-

paper yesterday.
The Government's latest cold weather payments scheme must be changed while there was still time, Mr Michael Meacher, Opposition spokesman on health and social security, said while moving an Opposition motion calling for poor pension-ers to be given a £5-a-week premium throughout the winter

In the past two winters the Government had tragically failed to exercise its power to prevent the needless deaths of many elderly people from hypo-thermia and cold-related con-

In the first three months of this year, 578 people died of hypothermia. Many extra deaths occurred as a result of cold-related respiratory and circulatory conditions. "Hundreds of pensioners will

die in this country because once again the steps the Government is taking are pathetically inad-equate. Indeed they are almost

ity rates among the elderly were proportionally higher in this country than others which also had hard winters, such as Amer-Screre weather payments would be made only when the temperature fell below mious 1.5 degrees Celsius over seven days from Monday to Sunday, as though the weather was neatly packaged into the convenient batches that nicely coincided with DHSS office hours. Had that applied last wear no. ica and Sweden, but there had been a steady decline over the past 20 years.

Mr Meacher's winter premium looked as though it would cost another £150 million and possibly more. It had not been part of the Opposition's original list of absolute priorities in its Had that applied last year, no less than half the country would September stater

have been excluded. In Feb-ruary, when an estimated 7,000 elderly people died from cold, which case it is another ring on Mr Hattersley's cash register? Or is it a pious hope, in which case Mr Meacher is deeply cynical? the average temperature was minus 0.9 degrees Celsius. This was a pathetic little scheme. According to the Government's own figures, only Mr Archy Kirkwood (Roxburgh

about one in eight pensioners was likely to be able to claim once every five years and the few who were able to break through the bureaucracy would be given £5, which was only appeared to be the control of the contro enough to heat one room for one

The Labour Party believed that a two-part programme was urgently called for. First, extra payments on a regular and automatic basis of £5 a week throughout the winter months and electricity disconnections. for pensioners oo supple-mentary benefit and for another million who were little better off. Second, a big programme to

Mr Archy Kirkwood (Roxburgh and Berwickshire, L) said that the absolute temperature limit fixed was very low and too restrictive.

Mr Stanley Orme, chief Opposition spokesman on energy, said that houses were still being built without proper insulation. The Government could put that right and create about 50,000 jobs in the process.

Labour would introduce a statutory code of practice on gas statutory code of practice on gas

The Opposition motion was rejected by 258 votes to 189 — Government majority, 69, and the Government amendment

Opposition motion on insider dealing, a Conservative MP, Mr Timothy Smith (Beaconsfield), who is a chartered accountant, called for an example to be made of a "big fish" of insider dealing hy sending that person

to prison. Opening the debate, Mr Robin Cook, an Opposition spokes-man, moved a motion expressing concern at the evidence of insider dealing in the financial markets and the low clear-up rate, and rejecting the Gov-ernment's policy of City selfregulation He said that insider dealing

was theft. The wealth in which the City dealt every day did not belong to the City.

The source of all its power and wealth was the contribu-tions to pension funds made by millions of workers and the

insurance premiums paid by millions of ordinary men and Mr Michael Howard, Under-Secretary of State for Trade and

Industry, moved a government amendment congratulating the City and the Government on their efforts against insider deal-He said that insider dealing had become an offence through the Companies Act, 1980, but it

had not been an easy offence to prove. There was no lack of willingness to prosecute. The problem was meeting the high standard of proof required. The Financial Services Act ontained powers to investigate contained powers to investigate insider dealer which could, without exaggeration, be described as draconian.

Mr Alan Williams, for the Opposition, said that they were talking about crime on a massive and unprecedented scale that made the Great Train Robbers look like backstreet nicknockets. pickpockets. Mr Howard said that the amount of information becom-ing available with the new technology would make it easier for the regulatory authority to identify and detect insider dealing. The Government now had sweeping and draconian powers which should enable it, as never

before, to detect, investigate and punish instances of this offence. The Opposition motion was rejected by 261 votes to 177 — Government majority, 84, and the Government amendment

# COMMENTARY

#### **Geoffrey Smith**

Mrs Thatcher is bound to be cheered by the latest opinion poll from MORI published in day. But it may also point to a dilemma that awaits ber

Coming on top of a number of favourable opinion polls last month it provides encouraging evidence for the Conservative of their reviving fortuges. A lead of only two percentage points over Labour would probably not be enough for an overall majority of seats in a general election. But at this tage in the Government's life

it is rather good.
If this trend continues over the next few months it is bound to increase the pressure in the party for a late spring or increase the sense of public expectation. A pre-election at-mosphere would build up un-

less it was firmly checked. But I wonder if this would be altogether to Mrs Thatcher's liking. She is by nature more cautious than many people suppose, determined rather than daring. I doubt if she will be instinctively inclined towards an early election.

Private Tory polls offer no guidance

She needed a good deal of persuasion before agreeing to go to the country in Jane 1983, a year earlier than she had to. even though the party was particularly well placed.

The private Conservative opinion polls offer further encouragement but no concinsive guidance.

The Government seems to be making some headway in relieving public auxiety on education, though obviously Mrs Thatcher would want the teachers' dispute to be well out of the way before calling an

Health is evidently proving a more stubborn political problem. The Conservatives need a little more time to convince the country that the service really is safe in their

These conflicting signs may well suggest that Mrs Thatcher would be wise to wait and see. But if she waits for too long without giving a clear signal she will find that she has out berself into a boy.

Political leaders are usually acutely aware of the mistakes of their predecessors. Mrs Thatcher will need no reminding how Mr Callaghan suffered from postponing an election as the last minute in October 1978 after expectations had built on in the party and the country. She will want to avoid giving a similar impression of indecision.

This will present no problem if she does decide to go for an election next May or June. Nor will she have much difficulty if she rules that out in the first few months of next year. She could easily dampen expectation in good time by passing the word that an early election was not on the cards.

But it may be difficult to reach such a firm judgement so far in advance if the polls are favourable and party enthu-siasm is mounting. With public opinion so liable to fluctuate, much could change in the meantime. I am not thinking particularly of the MI5 case. Muddles are not exactly to be recommended for governments, but this excitement will have passed well before the election.

#### Dilemma facing the leadership

What if Mrs Thatcher none the less concludes that it would be sensible to await the results of the local government elec-tions next May before deciding about the general election? If they were not so encouraging as she might hope, she would then he faced with a choice between going to the polls immediately simply because that was expected or saying no at what would seem to be the last minute.

If she chose the second course she would have to be careful not to give the impression that she had simply shirked the battle. This would mean that she would be all the more likely to emphasize the positive value of waiting, of the Government's seeing its task through. In which case it might then be difficult to make an October election seem nature).

I would therefore draw two conclusions. Although the Government's prospects now look encouraging, Mrs That-cher would be wise not to allow election expectations to get out of hand. If she does let that happen the election would then be more likely either this summer or in 1988, rather than in October.

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William Austin, aged 54, and wounding Mrs Ellen Ditcher, aged 76, a widow, with intent to cause her grievous bodily harm, io a robbery at her manor house at Otham, ocar Maidstone, Kent, in July last He was jailed for life and Mr Justice Saville recommended that he should serve at least 25 His son, Manin, aged 20,

and Steve Dougal, aged 21, were found guilty of man-slaughter and untawfully wounding Mrs Diicher, Martin Clark was sentenced to 10 years' youth custody and Dougal was jailed for 10 years. All three admitted robbery. Mrs Dileber was hit by three bullets fired ov Terence Clark from a home-made rifle. His

made rifle during a robbery

sentences and youth

took along to maim a great dane and two boxer dogs.

son and Dougal were armed

with crossbows, which they

The judge praised Mrs Ditcher's bravery and compo-sure. "She is an indomitable

with home-made rifle Three hooded burglars who old lady," he said. She was used crossbows and a nome-wounded and bad been tied up, but she repeatedly asked to which left a gardener and a be allowed to go and help her

Life for man who shot

and killed gardener

dog dead were vesterday given mortally wounded gardener. During the three-week trial Terence Clark was found men, all wearing black hoods, the jury was told that the three guilty at Lewes Crown Court.
East Sussex. of murdering Mr
at night and kicked in the back door

Mr Austin was sbot by Terence Clark when be came downstairs from his secondfloor flat to see what was going on. He bled to death while the robbers searched the house and stole cash, jewellery and antiques worth £6,000.

Terence Clark also shot dead the great dane and Mrs Ditcher, who was wounded, was tied up for more than two hours before she freed herself and went to a neighbour for The three men were also

house a month earlier, which tbey admitted. Clark, bis son and Dougal tied up Mrs Gwendoline Farmer, aged 49, landlady of The Bull at Dartford, Kent, and stole £13,000 worth of

sentenced for robbing a public

jewellery, furs and cash in June 1985, Mr Justice Saville said: This involved breaking into premises you knew were occu-

own and threatening violence to her in order to obtain her co-operation in robbing her of her possessions".

Tereoce Clark, of Longham Copse, near Maidstone, was jailed for 10 years, to run concurrently with his life

The judge sentenced Martin Clark, of Edenbridge Close, St Mary Cray, Kent, and Dougal, of Cotsmendene Crescent, St Paul's Cray, Kent, who were both aged 19 at the time, to six years for their part in the Dartiord robbery, to run concurrent with the manslaughter sentences.

The judge said Terence Clark was a professional bur-glar who had graduated to armed robbery and he told the two younger men they had taken part in joint enterprises and must take some of the responsibility for the death of

The judge told Terence Clark: "I accept that when you went into that bouse you had no idea there was anyone else there apart from Mrs Ditcher.

But when you did realize this you had no hesitation in using the weapon you were carrying to remove this obstacle to your plan to rob an old lady in ber own home."

#### King Elvis will rule his tribe from afar

By David Sapsted

King Elvis Johnson-Idan, otherwise Brent council's parks manager, found time to relax yesterday as he prepared for his coronation, later this month, as ruler of 10,000 Fanti tribesmen living on the constal

plains of Ghana, West Africa. His elevation to the throne has caught both Mr Johnson-Idan and his British-born wife, Queen Elizabeth, a part-time

telephonist, by surprise.

But at their semi-detached home in Camberley, Surrey, yesterday both pledged to take their responsibilities

Mr Johnson-Idan, aged 36, was nominated as king, or "nana", of part of the Fanti tribe by elders this autumn. "We knew he was of royal blood but we expected one of his four older brothers to be appointed," Mrs Juhnsonldan said.

The coronation will take place at Jukwaa, in Ghana, on December 23 but, after that, Mr Idan-Johnson intends to return to his job of looking after Brent's parks and flower beds in north London.

He will, however, visit the tribespeople be left more than a decade ago, at least twice a year. "I shall not rule as a dictator but as head of a group people deciding affairs," be said.



King Elvis, his wife and daughter, at home yesterday (Photograph: Chris Harris)

#### Train hits trailer on crossing

Passengers on a commuter train escaped injury yesterday when it hit a trailer full of cattle fodder on a crossing at Ryhope. Sunderland. Tyne and Wear, carrying it 350 vards down the track.

Police praised Mr Geoffrey Wright, aged 21, a farm worker, for his quick thinking in racing down the line waving bis arms to warn the driver of the train, the 7.15 from Middleshrough to Newcastle upon Tyne, carrying about 80 D35SERIGETS.

His action gave the driver time to brake and slow the train from its usual speed of 60mph.

Northumbria police said: "It seems that without the quick thinking in stowing down the train there could have been serious injuries in the crash".

It is thought that the tractor's wheels had become stuck between the rails of the farm accommodation cross-

ing.

The train came to a balt next to Town Farm. Ryhope, where Mr Wright worked. The accident came hours after a fire at the farm, owned by Mr Alan Davidson, de-stroyed a barn and 100 tons of

hay. Yesterday firemen were still damping it down. The crash led to temporary closure of the line, but a single track was reopened later. The train was not seriously

#### Church in favour of state aid

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Welfare State needs an injection of new vision and idealism to protect it from being dismantled in the name of right-wing beliefs, a Church of England report declares today.

Christians cannot accept an individualistic philosophy which demands that everyone should stand oo their own feet, it states.

The report, which is ex-pected to be debated by the General Synod in February, is the result of a church working party set up to consider the theological basis for church endorsement of the theory of the Welfare State.

It argues that the ooor "are a living reminder to the rest of society of its fallibility and weakness. Extremes of wealth of sin, and witness to the conscious or unconscious capacity for injustice of the rich and powerful, and the consequent disintegration of

Christians had also to be concerned at the present division to society, the report states. They could not approve a system which allowed a large minority of the population to live at a level which sank lower and lower in comparison with the wageearning majority.

The grim facts of gross inequality between the very rich and the poor is not just a social misfortune but a social

#### Mother and child die

Miss Tina Leadbetter, aged 26, of Bletchley, Milton Keynes, an unmarried mother, and ber child, aged one, fell more than 100 feet to their deaths yesterday.

The mother died instantly and ner daughter three hours later in hospital.

Miss Leadbetter is said to have been depressed about the possibility of social services staff taking her child into care.

impose on them by the mother

of the Yorkshire Ripper's last

Mrs Doreen Hill, aged 52, of

Leaholm Crescent, Ormesby,

Middlesbrough, claims that

her daughter Jacqueline would

be alive today if the police bad

not failed in their duty to

catch Peter Sutcliffe before she

became his thirteenth victim.

for Mr Colin Sampson, Chief

Constable of West Yorkshire.

Mrs Hill was right, the police

would have owed a duty of

care to any unaccompanied

woman in the proximity of

Sutcliffe when he was in a

"murderous mood", wherever

he might have been at the

Mr Rawley said: "Indeed.

Sutcliffe was arrested in a car

But Mr Alan Rawley, QC.

victim.

#### **Jasmine** officer in job appeal

Mrs Diane Dietmann, a senior social worker who was dismissed for alleged "gross misconduct" in the handling of the Jasmine Beckford case, asked a High Court judge for her job back yesterday.

In a sworn statement read to Mr Justice Hodgson she said that she was "shocked and stunned" when Brent social services dismissed ber in December last year after an inquiry report.

Mr John Hendy, counsel for Mrs Dietmann, said that there was no bearing for her to defend the report's allegation of gross negligence against her, before the social services committee accepted the recommendation to dismiss her. She is suing for a declara-

and an injunction reinstating her; or, alternatively, damages for wrongful dismissal. Jasmine Beckford, four, died io July 1984, after being tortured and starved by her parents, who were later jailed. A report criticized the

social services. Mr Hendy said that although for the purposes of the action Mrs Dietmann was prepared to accept the findings of the report, the allegations against her had always been denied. She would deny them "strenuously" in the

He said the vital matter to be decided was whether her contract of employment allowed her to be dismissed without ootice for gross misconduct when the allegation against ber was gross neg-

future.

Mrs Dietmann, of Tudor Well Close, Stanmore, north London, alleges that the terms of her employment cannot be extended that far and that instant dismissal is restricted to cases of criminal acts or

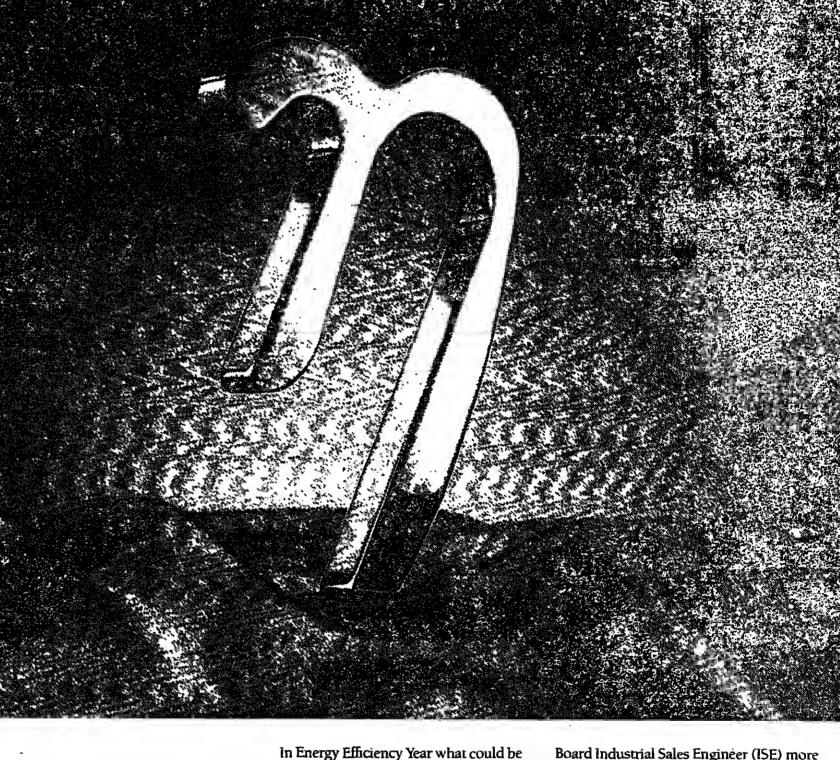
In her statement Mrs Dietmann said that the way the decision was taken was flagrant breach of her terms of employment, the rules of natural justice and her employer's duty to act reason-

Brent are defending the claim, and deny any breach of contract. The hearing continues.

Police dispute claim by

# tion that her dismissal was invalid, void and of no effect.

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in Sheffield, which is outside West Yorkshire Police "If you can't limit it in terms of geographical area, do you say the duty of care

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mous and vast" duty of care which a court is being asked to "How far do you go out of the area of the West Yorkshire Police? To London? To the Home Counties? Abroad? The other side of the world if Suicliffe chose to emigrate because he thought things were getting too hot for him here but wished to continue with his career of murder?

"One is faced with a duty which, if it exists, would be of an enormous and vast type."

Jacqueline Hül, aged 20 was murdered in November told the Court of Appeal that if 1980 while walking from a bus stop to her hall of residence at Leeds University. Her mother is appealing

> wnich blocked her bid to sue the police for damages. Last December, Sir Neil Lawson ruled that she could not establish that the police owed a special duty of care to

against a High Court ruling

The appeal hearing, before Land Justice Fox, Lord Justice Glidewell and Sir Roualeyn Cumming-Bruce, contioues.

her daughter.

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## MPs criticize Inland Revenue 'failure' over mortgage relief

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

The Inland Revenue is sharply criticized for "lack of foresight" in a report by MPs

published yesterday.
The main complaint is that it failed to foresee that Mort-gage Interest Relief at Source (Miras) would lead to a £2.25 billioo increase in government tax relief expenditure in the two years after its introduction in 1983.

make low-cost endowment mortgages, which attract greater tax relief than repayment mortgages, much more competitive.

The proportion of endowment mortgages more than doubled, from 25 per cent of new mortgages, and the total value of mortgage interest relief rose from £2.5 billioo to £4.75 billion.

The report says that the committee found it difficult to believe the Inland Revenue's claim that the increased popularity of endowment mortgages accounted for less than £100 millioo of this

"We are surprised that the Inland Revenue did not foresee the increased attractiveness of endowment mort-

Alarmed by the "open-ended nature" of the Government's tax relief commitment, the report recommends that mortgage tax relief should be subject "to similiar standards of monitoring and control" as other demand-led expenditure approved by Parliament, such as supplementary benefit.

The report also challenges the Ioland Revenue to justify Public Accounts Committee
says the effect of Miras was to
make low-cost and an arms to make low-cost and arms to make low-cost arms to make low-cost and arms to make low-cost arms to make low-cost and arms to make low-cost and arms to make low-cost arms to make low-cost and arm property jointly can each take out £30,000 mortgages and claim tax relief, whereas married couples are restricted to relief on just one £30,000

nortgage. The Inland Revenue said it was a loophole rather than a policy, but the report says: "It seems to us an anomaly which is unfavourable to married couples. We therefore suggest that if it is to be retained, the policy objective which under-lies it should be made clear."

It goes on to question the efficiency of Inland Revenue's efforts to prevent fraudulent tax relief claims, not only oo mortgages but also on life ssurance policies.

The committee is "dis-turbed" that 93 companies have so far been been identified by the Inland Revenue as failing to permit a straight-

forward verification of reimbursement claims", and "concerned at the potential number of still uoidentified cases". It urges a speeding up of the eight-year cycle of cootrol visits.

It also questions the Inland Revenue's reluctance to ask for receipts to back up claims for tax relief on home improvement loans

The Comptroller and Auditor General had suggested such a course, and "it seems to us that this would be a simple exercise in corroboration", the report says.

Both Miras and Lapras (Life

Assurance Premium Relief at Source) were introduced mainly to cut staff. The report notes that the Inland Revenue achieved 3,000 reductions, although it was unable to say whether the job losses corre-sponded to the actual work saved in practice.

The committee concludes that it is "fuodamental to good management" that job losses should correspond to work saved, and calls for improvements

Fifty-second report of the Committee of Public Accounts: Life Assurance Premium Relief and Mortgage Interest Relief at Source (Stationery Office; £3.10). future geoerations.
The £60,000 scheme was

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Winning smiles yesterday from Bobby Davro, voted most popular professional comedian in a poll run by TV-am's *Good Morning Britain*, and Miss Rene Tully, aged 58, a London traffic warden who was named the Funniest Person in Britain (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

## Pupils plant for posterity

Children at a village pri-mary school oear Barnsley vegetation grows it will blend made their own contribution with adjoioing school areas with adjoioing school areas earmarked for a wildlife to history yesterday by earmarked for a wildlife launching a pilot project to meadow and butterfly garden. protect the environment for

officially launched wheo youngsters at Filkstone School the Countryside Commission, started planting 1,050 trees on Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council, Peak Park Joint Planning Board and seven parish councils.

The Community Action in Rural Environment scheme (CARE) will ruo for three years and will be funded by

The scheme is designed to encourage care and under-standing for the local countryside by involving the com-munity. An independent evaluation of its success will be made by Bradford Univer-

## Nimrod or Awacs decision expected before Christmas

By Peter Davenport, Defence Correspondent

borne early warning radar, the American Boeing E-3 Awacs, will be made at a meeting of Civil Servants and technical

Civil Servants and technical experts today.

Members of the Ministry of Defence's Equipment Policy Committee, which includes representatives from the Treasury and Foreign Office, are expected to prepare a paper outlining their decision, which Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, will study over the weekend. over the weekend.

Mr Younger is expected to review the committee's re-commendation with Lord Trefgarne, the Defence Pro-curement Minister. The Government will probably announce its decisioo before

GEC argues that the Nim-rod system is cheaper, specifi-cally designed for UK tasks and that the first three aircraft could be with the RAF by next autumb.

It realizes, however, that it has still to coovince some sceptical, senior air force officers that the system will work and meet all their requirements now many of the original faults have been ironed out.

A decision against Nimrod

The final recommendation will virtually write off the on which aircraft will provide £900 million of taxpayers the next generation of air-money already spent, mean instant redundancy for 2,500 homegrown Nimrod or the staff employed on the project at GEC and associated companies and effectively end hopes of up to £2 billion of export deals with the avionics system of the aircraft.

GEC has recently been runniog an expensive advertising campaign arguing that will both aircraft will defend Britain, only Nimrod will defend Britain both industry. Some observers have interpreted that as a sim that the company that as a sign that the company may be worried the decision is slipping away from it.

Boeing, which has the advantages of a system that is already operational and of proven capabilities, has countered the employment argument by offering an unassection of the counter of th precedented 130 per cent of offset work for UK companies which, it claims, will create 8,000 jobs over the eight years of the programme.

But it will not be able to supply the first aircraft for three years although it is understood to have suggested to the MoD that three Awacs on loan from the USAF to Saudi Arabia, pending deliv-ery of its own aircraft, could be made available to bridge the gap.

#### In the EEC chair: 4

## Tenacity has bred qualified success

In the final part of his belief that Europe "must demreview of Britain's six onstrate its ability to match months leadership of the measure with counter-EEC, Robin Oakley, Pol-itical Editor, assesses the On the grand stage issues, successes and failures.

On the big eye-catching issues, Britain's presidency of the Common Market cannot be called an unqualified

In September 1984, the EEC partners agreed: "If one partner suffers serious terrorist activity involving the abuse of diplomatic immunity, the partners will be ready to consider common action in

When, in October this year, Britain presented those part-ners with a dossier of evidence of the Syrian Embassy's tionism we want is that diinvolvement in the Hindawi plot to blow up an El-Al airliner, it called for a ban oo arms sales, a limitation of Syrian Embassy activities, a curb on visits by Syrian delegations and a freeze on EEC aid.

EEC aid.

The response was lukewarm. Only six of the 12 foreign ministers turned up in person, with the French and German foreign secretaries preferring a night at the opera. It was, Sir Geoffrey Howe said: "A less adequate signal to Syria tean we would have wished."

wished".

But if ever there was an institution where the motto is "if at first you doo't succeed..." it is the EEC. And if ever there was a minister temperamentally suited to trying and trying again it is Sir Geoffrey. We used our veto on aid to

We kept up the barrage and, on November 10, he got his package of measures, with only Greece opting out.

A package of sanctions: against South Africa was achieved to the eod, though a somewhat tokeo one. And Sir. Geoffrey's two miserable visits to Southern Africa as spokesman of the EEC did oot provoke claims that he was provoke claims that he was oot articulating the European voice, so far as it could be

Sir Geoffrey's quiet resolu-tion in the threatened trade war with the United States has war with the Ohltes States has won us grudging respect for being more Community-minded than we were.

In the battles over US graio imports, the pasta and citrus disputes, the counter-threats by America to curb imports of whisky, brandy and special steels. Sir Geoffrey left no doubt of his sincerity in the

Threat to

The Police Federation may

On the grand stage issues, Europe's performance is still a poor one, but it has been on worse under the British presidency. On the smaller practicalities of political co-operation, there has been progress, notably in the moves by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, to stiffen Europe's borders against terrorists and to step up the war against drug

traffickers.

Mrs Lynda Chalker, Min-ister of State at the Foreign Office, sums up Britain's aims thus: "The only barriers we want to see are those against terrorism. The only protecrected against drugs

There is no doubt that Britain and her partners are reaching for the phone more often and are thinking in-sticctively towards EEC rather than national solutions

The key to the comparative British success is that we are working oot in isolation but as part of a three-presidency rolling programme, linked with the Dutch, who preceded us, and the Belgians who

follow. We have learned that you win more battles in Europe by squaring your opponents in advance, and that you judge your results io the medium and long term as well as in immediate benefits.

Change lies ahead, with majority voting, which will stop single states blocking progress for ever on a technical, protectionist point. As Mrs Chalker says: "Already, we as president are using the onset of the Single European Act to try to persuade the legates that it is better to negotiate a compromise now than to be out-voted later.

Sir Geoffrey Howe reflected at the outset: "The real test of any presidency is how well it keeps busioess moving along".

Whether Mrs Thatcher wins all 13 points of the package she is hoping for at the European Summit this weekend or only six, it is clear that Britain has not only kept the business moving but actually increased

You may need the goodwill of the orchestra to make real European music. But at least we have shown that we know

# Reply by sue over judge to PC's death sexist jibe

The judge dubbed "a sexist" by a woman motorist de-fended himself yesterday.

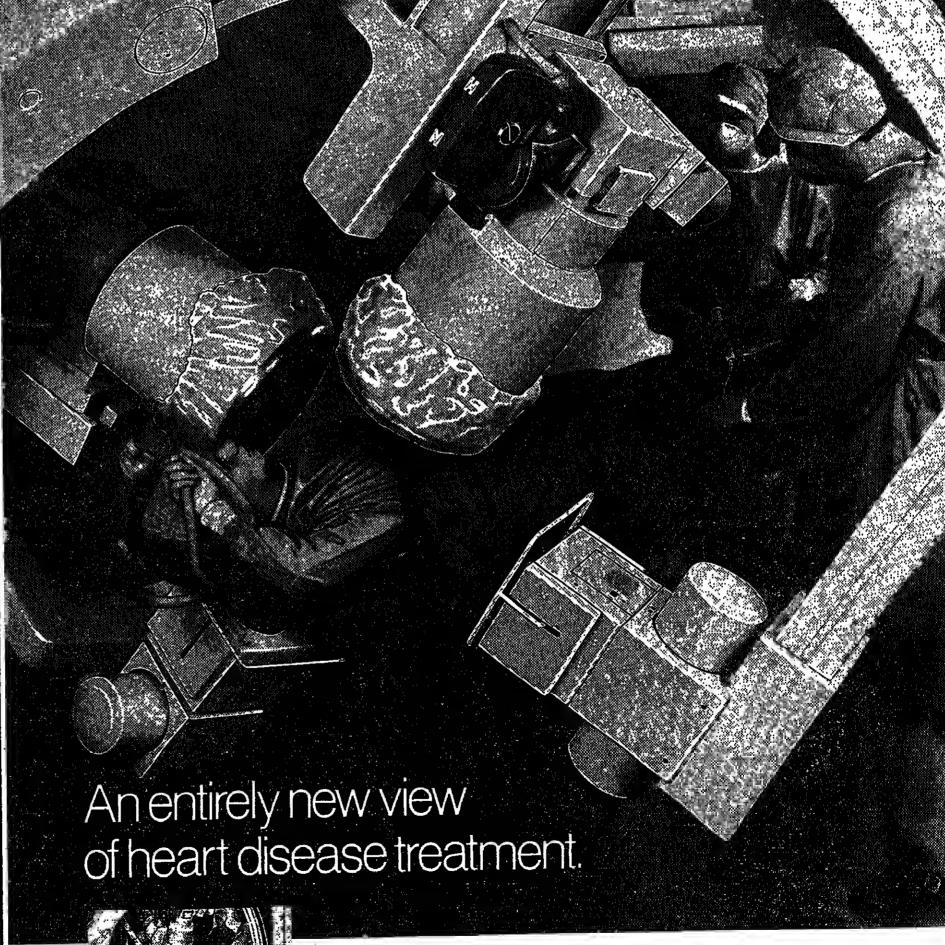
Judge Anthony Goodall,
aged 70, hit the headlines after
advising Mrs Wendy Birch, The Police Federation may take legal action against Stoke on Trent City Council after the death of Police Constable John Taylor, who fell to his death from a seven-storey that of flats 11 days and

death from a seven-storey death from a seven-storey block of flats 11 days ago.

Photographs of the stairway window at Honeywall Court, Penkhull, which gave way while PC Taylor was grappling with a suspect, have been forwarded to legal experts.

PC Taylor, who lived at Westbury Park, Newcastle under Lyme, died when the window gave way and he fell 50ft to his death. A Birningham man has been charged with bis murder. aged 37, a teacher, to "switch oo the charm" with policemen to avoid prosecution. The judge, speaking during a lunch adjournment at Exeter Crown Court, said: "The object of my remark was to point out to Mrs Birch bow stupid it was to be rude to the police".

He infuriated Mrs Birch on Tuesday after she successfully appealed against a cooviction for driving without insurance. mingnam man nas occur charged with bis murder. The funeral of the police-man, who was aged 26, will be held in Stoke this morning. She was unsuccessful in appeals against convictions for speeding and failing to pro-duce a driving licence.



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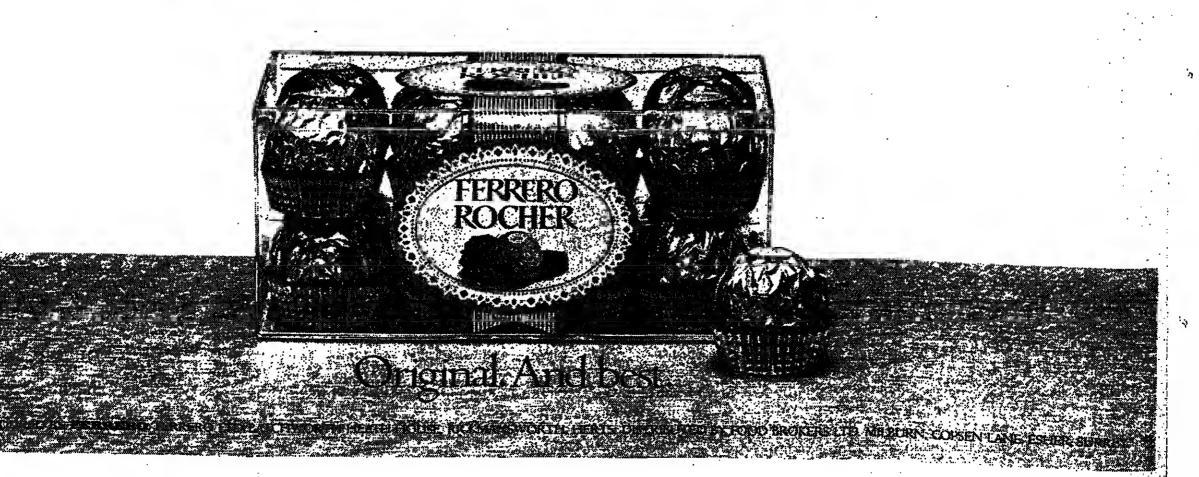
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#### WORLD SUMMARY

## Hanoi frees Thai seamen for cash

Bangkok – The last of almost 500 Thai fishermen imprisoned in Vietnam for op to six years returned home yesterday after the payment of fines of \$350,000 (£245,000) by the Thai Government (Neil Kelly writes).

Vietnam said their release was a goodwill gesture to mark the tenth anniversary of formal relations between Bangkok and Hanoi. Before the men were actually released the Vietnamese Ambassador here went to the Foreign Ministry

All the fishermen had been convicted of fishing in Vietnamese waters. They were kept behind bars because neither their employers nor the Thai Government would pay the fines. The youngest fisherman to return was a 14-year-old boy who was imprisoned for 15 months doing hard labour. All complained that they had been badly treated.

#### Epidemic Bugging spreading

Lagos (Reuter) - The Nigerian Health Minister, Mr Koye Ransome-Kuri,
Mr Koye Ransome-Kuri,
confirmed yesterday that a
yellow fever epidemic had
spread to four states.
He challenged reports
that it had spread to urban
contract from the country.

centres from the country-side, and said he could not confirm a World Health Organizatioo statemeot that 470 villagers had died.

He said the figure was 127.

The epidemic began in ceotral Benue State and has now spread to the neighbouriog eastero states of Cross River, Imo

# protest

Copenhagen - Denmark lodged a strong official protest with the Polish Government yesterday after uncovering listening de-vices in its embassy in Warsaw (Christopher Fol-

lett writes).
"The discovery of the monitoring devices comes wheo Denmark is trying to normalize relations with Poland. The revelation has inevitably damaged the confidence which is so vital in our attempts to better East-West relations," Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish Foreign Minister,

## Death plane puzzle

Los Angeles - A small private plane which collided with an Aeroméxico jet in August, killing 82 people, was never spotted oo the radar screen, according to the air traffic controller involved (Ivor Davis writes).

Mr Walter White, testifying on the first day of the official inquiry into the crash, emphasized that no other planes showed up on his screeo that might endanger the big jet. However, he said that, because of the Federal Aviation Administration's radar system, it was not oursual for him not to consider the state of t not to see aircraft on the 22-inch controller's screen. His testimony added weight to the argument put forward by FAA critics that much of the radar equipment being used at Los Angeles and other large airports is out-dated.

#### Savings plan dies

Oslo - The Norwegian Government has dropped its proposals for a compulsory savings scheme, which it announced only on Friday, after a chorus of criticism led by the trade unions, the minority La-bour administration's natural constituents (Tony

Samstag writes).
Officials appear to have been taken by surprise by the strength of reaction to the most impovative of several attempts to curb con-

#### Antarctic oil claim

Wellington (Reuter) — New Zealand scientists claim to have discovered traces of oil deep below the sea floor of the southern Antarctic continent.

A core sample analysis found at 2,073ft in the Ross Dependency showed oil and gas were once trapped there but had subsequently leaked out. Mr David Lange, the Prime Minister, said the discovery made an Antarctic agreement to govern mineral resources all the more important.

#### Warning for Daniloff

Moscow - Izvestia hinted yesterday that if Nicholas Daniloff, right, publishes a book detailing his two-week stay io a Soviet prison io September this year theo the KGB will release transcripts of his interrogation (A Corres-

pondeot writes). Mr Daniloff, of US News and World Report, was arrested on spyiog charges after what he claims was a set-up by

an old Russian friend. Izvestia claimed yesterday that Daniloff and his KGB



#### Battle drags to dredge Rhine of factory poison

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

cals deposited in the bed of the confidence has to be re-River Rhine after the Basel chemical plant hlaze oo November l is taking far looger than expected.

In two weeks only about a too has been recovered from the estimated 20-30 tons of agro-chemical compounds that drained into the river with waters from fire hoses.

Swiss divers with suction dredgers are working at. Schweizerhalle, site of the Sandoz plant. Downstream at the Birsfeldeo barrage, similar operations are being carried out hy a Dutch company. Both have been instructed to increase their workforce.

"Switzerland's reputation for ecological protection was

The removal of toxic chemi- destroyed in a single eight and established at any price," Presideot Egli of Switzerland who is also the Eovironment Minister, told a joiot meeting of both houses of Parliament.

Cootrols in the chemical industry would have to be stricter and manufacturing stricter and manufacturing just returned from visiting processes and warehousing Mujahideen leaders, that contechniques might have to be forbidden. Swiss environmental laws would have to he brought into line with the European Community's "Seveso directives", he told the foreign ministers needed to

Mr Egli said the Government favoured setting up a coordination centre for dealing ages attributable to the Sandoz fire. quickly with claims for dam-

> was not carried out because, it is alleged, the Syrian liaison

The sources said that Mr Ameri said the Syrians wanted to hurt the Jordanian royal family by assassinating Mr Sati, who is related to King

He said the Syrians asked him to collect operational information on him, and to hand the pistol with which the Jordanian diplomat was killed to the assassin. Mr Kent

for the getaway. Mr Ameri also claimed that in August to September last year. A car containing explosion in an ammunition dump in Yahsihan, east of Ankara, in June, which was the road taken by the general said to be an accident, was a

## President Reagan reaps benefits after reasserting his authority

## Congress anger as dismissed advisers keep their silence

From Michael Binyon, Washington

welcome to the measures announced by President Reagan oo Tuesday to quell the Iran furore, hut Congress has been angered by the refusal of key figures in the affair to answer questions at the opening of its

Senators and commentators praised the President's call for an independent iovestigator and the appointment of Mr Frank Carlucci as National Security Adviser.

They saw this as the begin-ning of a reassertion of authority by Presideot Reagan and welcomed his declared readiness to make all the facts available as swiftly as pos-

However, there was considerable anger at the behaviour of Admiral John Poindexter, the former National Security Adviser, and Colonel Oliver North, who was dismissed as National Security Couocil (NSC) Military Adviser, over what was seeo as their lack of co-operation with the Senate iotelligence committee holding heariogs on the affair.

Admiral Poindexter spent

17 minutes in the Senate on Tuesday and never appeared on the witness chair, claiming he was not yet ready to answer questions. The panel reacted angrily and decided to subpoena him for a second appearance yesterday.

President Reagan had earlier said he was taking an uoprecedeoted step io allowing two former NSC advisers

More talks

on Afghan

settlement

By Andrew McEwen

Prospects for a Soviet with-

Prospects for a Soviet winddrawal from Afghanistan
looked as remote as ever
yesterday at the end of the
current round of shuttle diplomacy by Señor Diego Cordóvez the UN mediator.
While the mediator de-

scribed progress as "a signifi-

cant step towards a conciusioo", one Western diplomat dismissed it as "meaningle

without real evidence of

Talks in Kabul and Islam-

abad produced agreement on

bow the withdrawal of Mos-

cow's 110,000 troops should

be monitored, but oot on

The root problem remains the same as that which caused

Leonid Brezhnev to order the

wioter invasion almost seven

years ago - Islamic fun-

damentalism and how to sup-

Hiots by Mr Gorbachov

that a settlement might not be

far off raised hopes briefly.

The perenoially optimistic Se-

nor Cordóvez was encouraged to think that his mission,

which began in 1982, was near

its end. But yesterday as he announced yet another round of talks to begin in Geneva on

February 11, his remarks were

His efforts have so far not involved the Mujahideen,

whose consect would be

oeeded for the internal settle-

ment that Moscow says is a

precondition for withdrawal.

But, according to Mr Julian

Gearing, information director of the London-based Afghan

Support Committee, who has

sent will not be forthcoming.

make afresh a very sobre assessment of the Afghanistan

situation in order to resolve

the only outstanding issue

blocking a timetable for the

withdrawal of the Soviet

troops (Hasao Akhtar writes).

more restrained.

when it should occur.

Soviet intentions

# Crisis in the

Colooel North invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination at least 40 times during question-

White House

ing, refusing to answer ques-tions about his role. His testimooy is considered vital to any attempt to discover the details of the operation and the fuonelling of money to the Contras. Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney Geogral, said Colonel North was the ooly man in the Administration who knew everything about the affair.

The senators are bound by their own strict rules of secrecy not to reveal any of the testimony they hear, hut several gave indications afterwards of what the witnesses had said, to the anger of Administration officials. Vice-President George Bush

yesterday made his first public

speech on the issue after being repeatedly urged to speak out by his political advisers. He said he supported Mr Reagao's policy of initiating contacts with Iran, but claimed he had not known about the funnelling of funds to the Contras. Nevertheless, the affair is seen here as having damaged his presiden-tial chances in 1988.



The Republican leadership discussing with reporters yesterday their meeting with President Reagan: from left, the House minority Leader, Mr Robert Michel; House minority Whip, Mr Trent Lott; and Senate majority Leader. Mr Robert Dole.

## Rebel aid policy at heart of scandal

Washingtoo

The "Reagan doctrine" of aiding anti-communist rebels in Nicaragua, Angola and Afghanistan is at the heart of the scandal about the devious methods used by the Administratioo io secretly supplying arms to them.

President Reagan and his top officials have been tightlipped about these covert operations. They refused to confirm persistent reports ear-lier this year that the Administration, after hesitating for years on sending sophisticated US weapons to insurgent forces in the Third World, had in March begun supplying several hundred shoulderfired Stinger missiles secretly are now reports that the money such as Israel, which were January 1984.

Afghanistan and Angola. Shortly after that, a senior Pentagon official was reported to have been sacked for alleg-edly leaking the Stingers supply story to the press.

The covert US assistance programme to the Afghan rebels has been estimated at about \$400 million (£280 millico), incloding weapons and other aid sect directly from the US to the resistance fighters. There has been no congres-

sional ban on American military aid to the Afghan rebels fighting Soviet troops, as there was for about three years on American military supplies to the Nicaraguan Contras. With the disclosure of the sale of US arms to Iran, there

The Washington Post yesterday reported that the US aod the Saodi Arabian Gov-

> million each ioto this account to underwrite the Afghao aid. rebels. The American deposit for the Afghan insurgents had been secretly appropriated by Bat, it said, money from this

account was also used to buy arms for the Cootras at a time wheo Congress had forbidden any military sopport for them. It quoted one congressional source as saying that the bank account was also used for boying Soviet, Chinese and

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But the Administration has never disclosed the amount of military assistance it gives to the Angolan Unita forces of Dr Jonas Savimbi who are fight-ing the Coban-backed Marxist

Government President Reagan has insisted that such aid must be kept covert. The US estimates that the Soviet Uoico has worth of military aid to the Angolan Government since

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#### Plot to kidnap British ambassador By Michael Evans, Whitehall Correspondent The Foreign Office said controlled device. The attack

A plot to kidnap the British Ambassador in Turkey, in order to exchange him for arrested members of the Abu Nidal terrorist organization, has been uncovered during police interrogation of two terrorist suspects, according to Middle East intelligence sources.

The two men, Mr Ali Kent and Mr Adnan Moussa Sulei-man Ameri, a Jordanian Embassy interpreter in Ankara, are among nine people who have been indicted over the killing of Mr Ziyad al-Sati, the First Secretary at the Jordanian Embassy, in July last year.

According to the sources, both men have made long statements which include valuable information about Syrian intelligence activities io Turkey, connected to the Abu Nidal organization.

yesterday it was unaware of any plot to kidnap the ambasr in Ankara, Sir Mark Russell, but confirmed that the Turkish authorities had been keeping in close touch with them after the arrests because of information supplied by the

According to the intelligence sources, Mr Kent and Mr Ameri have revealed a range of operations and plots in Turkey which are allegedly connected with the Syrians.

They include a plan to assassinate an American general in Izmir, in an operation code-named "Bornova" which should have been carried out and detonated by a remote- Syrian sabotage operation.

man was expelled from Turkey for being a member of the Abu Nidal group.

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confessed to supplying the car

## Kinnock warns US bid to block anti-nuclear policy could backfire

bour leader, has warned loss of intelligence and America that any attempt to communication facilities safepressurize a Labour govern-ment, which would be committed to a policy of closing down US nuclear bases in Britain, could have dire consequences for its worldwide

intelligence network.

After his Harvard defence speech, Mr Kinnock recalled how America had taken reprisals against New Zealand following the refusal of its Labour Government to admit US nuclear vessels into the country's ports.

The US withdrawal of cooperation in the Anzus defence pact had lost it a very small part of its intelligence communications and armour in the South Pacific, he said. He warned that any similar reprisals against a British Labour government would be a

Mr Neil Kinnock, the La- would result in a significant guarding the domestic security

> would not respond to antagonism from the USA in that way, because I believe in the defence of the USA. But it would be a temptation for other governments or for public sentiment in Britain -

ning reflects Labour's confidence that it has plenty to bargain with to counter any American temptation to pres-sure a Labour government by economic or other means to reverse its unilateralist pol-

The Labour leader is being careful not to use the language of direct confrontation while at the same time making clear "gigantic act of cutting off at the same time makir nose to spite face" which his bargaining position

## Canadian Liberals Europeans swing to the left

resolutions in preparing the Liberal election platform. The

next election is expected in

The Liberals are a middle-

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It was a Liberal government

ment with the Americans

which in 1983 entered into a

highly controversial, five-year

permitting experimental fli-ghts of unarmed Air-launched

cruise missiles (ALCMS) over

Government, citing alliance obligations, has pledged to

abide by the accord, while

condemning the recent US hreakout from the strategic

weapons ceilings imposed by the American-Soviet Salt II

treaty. The US action has exposed the Tories to consid-

erable opposition ridicule,

since it was precisely in the

area of ALCMS that the US

The present Conservative

the right-of-centre.

highly persuasive

northern Canada.

From John Best, Ottawa

The Liberal Party of Can- has to decide how to play the ada, which stands n good chance of forming the government within about two years, has taken a sharp tilt to the left on questions of foreign and

Delegates to a weekend Liberal convention here voted to make Canada n nuclearweapons-free zone and to stop the testing of American cruise missiles in Canadian air

space.
They favoured a superpower nuclear weapons freeze and n comprehensive nuclear test ban, and came out against Canadian involvement in the President Reagan's Star Wars

They defeated a resolution calling for Canadian "nonalignment", but approved a series of other resolutions which would have the effect of subordinating Canada-US defence co-operation to the priority of safeguarding Canadian sovereignty, especially in the

Arctic theatre.

The shift to the left by the Liberals — who were in power until September 1984 — is reminiscent of the leftward swing of the British Labour Party since it has been out of

It presents a difficult dilemma for Mr John Turner, who won a resounding vote of confidence from the convention as party leader, but now breakout occurred.

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Mr Kinnock added: "1 which I think can be re-strained, but it is there."

Mr Kinnock's oblique war-

#### Wimpish image, page 16 review defences

He believes that the installa-

critical to America's domestic

defence and intelligence needs, as well as to the Nato

Reprisals against Britain,

Mr Kinnock warned, would result in the loss of essential facilities "in Europe, in the

Indian Ocean, in the Meditter-anean and in the Far East".

main bases and headquarters,

35 minor and reserve bases

Britain makes available to

the US the early-warning site

at Fylingdales, a submarine watching station in Pem-brokeshire, and a range of

other communications and

intelligence facilities, such as those at Cheltenham GCHQ,

at Edzell in Scotland, at Diego

Garcia in the Indian Ocean, in

Cyprus and in Hong Kong.

and 75 other installations.

The 135 US military facil-

Brussels (Reuter) - European Nato defence ministers met yesterday to review conventional forces and armaments co-operation, issues that officials said had taken on added significance after the Reykjavik summit.

of-the-road party and Mr Turner, aged 57, is in that tradition, with a slight bias to Ministers and deputies from 12 member states of the The Opposition leader takes alliance's Eurogroup — all the European allies barring seriously Canada's responsibility to Nato - this country. France and Iceland - gathered ander a Liberal government. as Western governments show helped to found the alliance in increasing concern over what they see as the Soviet bloc's defence generally.

Mr Turner told a postsuperior strength in conventional forces.

convention press conference that he found the resolutions Nato diplomats expected the ministers, who were due to have further informal talks last night, also to discuss the US breach last week of the Salt 2 superpower treaty limiting strategic arms, a move condemned by virtually all the

The Europeans seemed certain to voice their disapproval wheo they meet the American Secretary of Defence, Mr Caspar Weinberger, today, though US officials regard the hreach of Salt 2 as a dead

Alliance limitations in cooventional strength compared with that of the Warsaw Pact have suddenly started preoccupying the Europeans as they envisage a future with reduced reliance oo American nuclear weapons.

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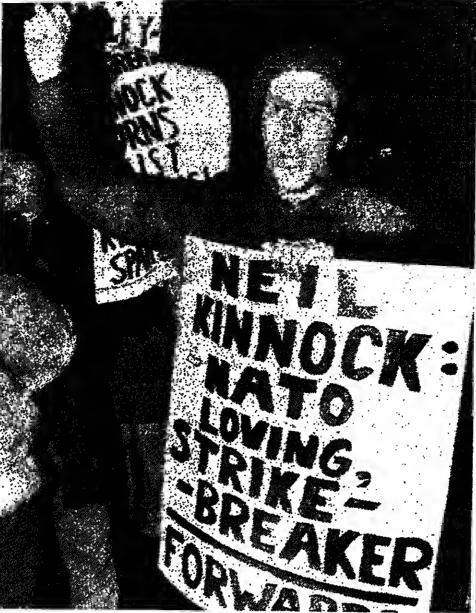
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Even in the US, Mr Neil Kinnock cannot escape the militants of the extreme left: British members of the Spartacist League were protesting against him at Harvard yesterday.

## Churches fight sex education

From Christopher Thomas, New York

A battle against compulsory sex education in New York City's 922 schools will be launched from the pulpit on Sunday, pitching the churches into an intensely emotional encounter with City Hall.

In a city renowned for every kind of prurience, the debate until now has been peculiarly sombre, as though parents have been embarrassed to find their children's sex lives under such scrutiny.

But the debate has finally

burst into a passionate row. Opponents of sex educatioo have been further outraged to discover that, without their knowledge, the Board of Education quietly voted to permit school-based health clinics to prescribe contraceptives for a six-month period, ending next April. The vote was 5-2.

If that was not enough it also became known that the clinics have, in any case, been prescribing contraceptives for well over a year under "comprehensive health care" programmes. The idea for schoolbased health clinics stemmed from a 1984 initiative to provide care to teenagers who did not have access to private

physicians.
There are now 12 clinics, which say that only 10 per cent of their services are sexually related. At two of the clinics contraceptives, and not just prescriptions, were dispensed. They argue that the statistics prove that teenage girls who have access to contraceptives and counselling at school clinics are less likely to get

The Board of Education last month ordered that sex education be given from September, 1987. Besides the argument about the issue in general, there is also disagreement about the curriculum. One book, Learning About Sex, The Contemporary Guide for Young Adults, has already been removed because it states, in ohvious error, that anal intercourse is oot medically dangerous. The edition was produced in 1977, long before the Aids crisis.

The error was pointed out by a lawyer who works for the Catholic Archdiocese of New York. A coalition of church leaders has been formed by the archdiocese, including members of other faiths, to begin campaigning against the curriculum during Sunday services.

High schools will be free to pick and choose what they want from the curriculum. Private surveys have shown that it is out of date and incomplete.

Several organizations that support the courses admit that bungling in preparation of the curriculum has been em-barrassing. There are some holes," Planned Parenthood said, "hut think what it was like before this mandate. Some children were getting no informatioo".

More than ooe million American girls aged 10-19 (about one in 10) become pregnant each year, one of the highest rates of any developed

### Paris terror suspect threatens judges

Paris (Reuter) - One of the had been found only just accused in the murder trial of alleged Action Directe urban guerrillas yesterday refused to recognize the Assize Court and threatened reprisals against the judges and jury.

Régis Schleicher, aged 29, believed by police to be a founder of the extreme-left group, declared as the trial began amid massive security precautions: "I do not recognize that this court has any right to judge me. All those sitting here will expose themselves to the rigours of proletarian justice."

He then asked the presiding judge: "I would like to know how long you are going to

protect them?" M Schleicher is on trial with two brothers for the killing of two plain-clothes policemen in Paris on May 31 1983.

The hearing was scheduled to last 10 days. It began just two weeks after Action Directe admitted the murder of Georges Besse, the Renault

Justice sources said the minimum quota of 23 potential jurors among the 35 selected for each assize session

before the hearing opened. The final jury will be composed of seven men and two

Of the 46 witnesses called to attend the opening session only 23 turned up.

Police marksmen and sniffer dogs were on duty around the courthouse near Notre Dame cathedral as guards with metal detectors searched public and press entering the security perimeter. Justice sources said special protection had been arranged for judges, key witnesses and jurors.

Action Directe, which be-gan operations in 1979 and now has close links with similar groups in West Germany, Italy and Belgium. It has claimed responsibility for 45 bombings over the past three years, two murders and two assassination attempts.

The other two accused are Claude Halfen, aged 30, and his brother Nicolas, aged 23. Claude is charged with M Schleicher with murder and attempted murder, and Nicolas is accused of complicity.

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg The South African security campaigning for an end to conscription: for the removal police have arrested at least 13 of troops from black town-ships; for the release of dewhite campaigners against military conscription in raids on homes in Johanneshurg and Cape Town. They are being held under the emergency repulations. tainees; for an end to the state of emergency; and for the lifting of the ban on the

South African house raids

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ing voices of peace".

Miss Clare Verbeek and Miss

Paula Hathorn, chairmen of

the ECC's Johannesburg and

Cape Town branches, and Mr

Steven Lowry, its national

treasurer. Johannesburg ECC

members were arrested while

attending a regular fortnightly

Other activists restricted,

together with ECC campaign-

ers, included Mr Azhar Cachalia, the national trea-

surer of the United Demo-

cratic Front; Mr Ashwin Shah

of the Transvaal Indian Con-

gress; and Mrs Dawn Ingles of the Black Sash, the civil rights

group run by white women. They are prohibited from

tivists were also restricted.

White opponents .

African National Congress. The restriction orders also Twelve other members of the End Conscription Camforhid participation in the ECC's yellow ribbon cam-paign, in which the organiza-tion, banned under the state of paign (ECC) were briefly de-tained and then released after being served with orders restricting their activities. A number of other political acemergency from openly oppos ing military service, has tried to publicize its cause by encouraging sympathizers to tie The ECC's national secribbons to trees and lamp-

retary, Mr David Shandler, described the police action on Tuesday night as "grossly counter-productive to finding solutions to the problems in The ECC was formed noon three years ago and enjoys considerable support on university campuses.
The issue of military service He said that 60 of the

organization's members had been detained during the state of emergency. None had yet been charged.

The Southern African Catholic Eichard' Conference. has been sharpened by the large-scale use over the past two years of white conscripts to suppress unrest in black

Official sensitivity was reolic Bishops' Conference said it could only "question yet again the motives of the South African Government in silencflected earlier this year when the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, refused to give Parliament the number of young whites who failed to It fully supported "the report for military duty, saying ECC's aim to demilitarize our the information could society". Seven of those ar-rested are Catholics. Among those detained were

It is estimated that there are about 7,000 draft evaders living in Europe and America. Under South African law, all white males between 18 and 25 must do two years' military service, and are liable to be called ap for another 720 days of periodic camps over a period

The scope for conscientions objection is limited. Under an amendment to the Defence Act earlier this year, Objectors must convince a specially convened board that their attitude is dictated by their belief in God or n supreme being. Those accepted as conscien-

tions objectors have to perform alternative community service.

#### Fraga tries to explain resignation

From Richard Wigg Madrid

Señor Manuel Fraga gave an explanation to members of his right wing group in the Spanish Parliament yesterday oo why he has resigned "irrevocably" from leading the Opposition before taking a seat among his backbenchers. To emphasize his resolve taken in the wake of election

declined to answer parliamentary reporters' quest-

Señor Fraga said: "Gentlemen, I am oot going to speak any more as spokesman for the party or to make general observations on policy to you." He has indicated that he wishes to stay in public life for the rest of the present Par-

liament, elected in June. But while the hard political facts explain the situation and many of the contenders for Señor Fraga's place began their behind-the-scenes manocuvring, many of the party faithful evidently still cherish the idea of persuading Senor Fraga to return.

The MPs accepted his resignation yesterday as chairman of the Popular Alliance Party which now numbers only 68, plus the 12 still faithful MPs of the right-wing Liberal Party.

Señor José Segurado, its chairman and a Madrid businessman, has taken over temporarily as head of the parliamentary group. At the June general election

Señor Fraga's right-wing coalition mustered 105 alition mustered 105 seats against the Socialists' 192. Schor Gerardo Fernandez, chief minister in Galicia, has assumed a caretaker role as Popular Alliance chairman. Leading article, page 17 the armed forces.

#### Aguino demotes minister

From David Watts Manila

A leading left-wing member of President Aquino's Governmeot has been dismissed. the third minister to go in the continuing series of changes. But though Mr Aquilioo Pimentel loses his position as Minister of Local Government, he will retain Cabinet

announcement

The single change is raising speculation that either Mrs

be dismissed soon. Mr Pimentel, who is from

The calls, he said, came from Mr Juan Ponce Enrile,

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## New York governor takes on the press

The ill-tempered Mr Mario Cuomo, whose backaches have

ent" are popular words in his

mo and the press is regarded by most journalists as n dem-onstration of the New York Governor's extraordinary seasitivity to criticism. He telephones editors day and night, and one evening recently call-ed a New York Times reporter at home to complain bitterly about an article.

morning he phoned back to ask forgiveness for "an old



The Daily News, the New York Post and The New York Times have been accused by Mr Cuome of collusion against him on certain issues. He described them as a "cabal". He said he had been set up by an editor of the Daily News who had printed com-

against editors.

ments made in a private con-

They will never get another

call from me," he raged. "They can call me from n burning building and say: You are the captain of the Fire Department', and they will have to learn to fly." Some journalists wrote that

his aggressive campaign for re-election as Governor last month was overkill. Although month was overkill. Although clearly assured of victory, reporters said he wanted victory by n historic margin.

In a meeting with reporters it was suggested to him that his campaign made him look bad. "Let's get it clear," he retorted. "It did not make me look bad Van made me look

ook bad. You made me look A sure way of gnaranteeing

York law firm might have profited indirectly through his eing governor. Mr Michael Cuomo, aged

28, is not exactly n favourite of the New York press corps. When a reporter wrote an unfavourable story about the

rank as an adviser oo national

His place is taken by Mr Jaime Ferrer, who is well known in Philippioe potitics for his resistance to martial law when it was introduced by President Ferdinand Marcos in 1972. Mr Ferrer was in the now defunct Parliament representing an anti-Marcos party.

The President's spokesman said that two ministers were to be replaced in yesterday's

Aquino is having difficulty finding replacements for the ministers she must dismiss or is unwilling to go through with all of the changes that the military has been demanding.
Mrs Aquino said she would announce further changes later, and Mr Augusto Sanchez, the Minister of Labour, said he believed that be would

the southern island of Mindanao, said as he left the Malacanang Palace: "The Malacanang Palace: pressure was too much to bear. There appears to be a call for hlood. It might as well be my blood and not hers."

the former Defence Minister, who was himself dismissed nine days ago, and General Fidel Ramos, Chief of Staff of

When Cuomo does not sleep, neither do reporters

#### From Christopher Thomas Washington Coomo administration earlier

made big news as the possible source of his celebrated out-bursts against the press, has taken to blasting journalists to their faces and, just as fre-quently, behind their backs to their editors.

The battle between Mr Cuo-

"You set out to kurt me and you succeeded. I hope you sleep well," he said. The next

a Cnomo outburst is to sng-gest, as many repeatedly do, that his son Michael's New

this year, Mr Michael Cnomo ensured that a rival reporter was given a scoop. "When you cut, you bleed," he explained.
Mr Michael Cuomo is the key insider in a tight circle that advises the governor on political strategy. A large number of ndvisers have been

brought in to rebut criticism

that the governor is too in-sular, but it is clear that none of them has really gained access to the inner circle.

Most of New York's newspapers endorsed Mr Cuomo in his re-election bid, hut criticized his personality and his apparent sensitivity - to which Mr Cuomo replied that

the press was too thin-skinned and could not take criticism. In n recent speech on press freedom he said if news organizations did not curb their abuses. "the Snpreme Court will get you in the end". He threatened to reduce reporters' access to him, noting: "It's about time the press office did some work."

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Life jail

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taxi driver Jerusalem (Reuter) - An

Israeli court sentenced three

Israeli Jews to life imprison-

ment yesterday for murdering

an Arah taxi driver to avenge the killing of a Jewish cab

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Hillel, aged 24, a university

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Troops clashed with dem-onstrators in the rebellious Government banned it, interof emergence of the ban on the African National Congress the leaders of a mob which looted shops and hurnt houses

at the weekend. Slum-dwellers, trying to prevent the soldiers from arresting the fugitives late on Tuesday, erected barricades and set fire to car tyres. Shots were fired, seriously wounding

The men the Army was looking for are some of those who led the popular uprising which toppled the 30-year-old Duvalier dictatorship earlier this year.

Chief among them is Mr Jean Tatoune, aged 29, who became a hero of Haiti's impoverished masses when he ied unarmed paupers from the waterside slums of Gonaives's Raboteau district against Pre-sident Jean-Claude Duvalier's brutal private militia, the now disbanded Tonton Macoutes, inspiring the nation to insur-

rection.
On Saturday Mr Tatoune, a handsome black man with a wound-scarred chest, led his mob against farmers who had barricaded the highway at the nearby town of L'Estere to block the delivery of contraband rice from the port to the

capital.

What has been dubbed Haiti's "rice war" arose out of the re-opening of provincial ports by the caretaker Government which replaced President "Bahy Doc" Duvalier in Fehruary. Mr Duvalier routed most

Haitian commerce through Port-au-Prince, where he could more easily exact the rake-offs for which his diotatorship was infamous. Towns like Gonaives, 100

miles north of the capital, fell into decay with 90 per cent unemployment. The ports have come back to life with a flood of contraband from cars, cigarettes and electrical appliances to clothing and food, but the massive influx of cheap rice has crippled local growers.

Haitian troops

clash with mob in slum hunt for rebel chiefs

northern port of Gonaives as cepting boats and raiding Haitian authorities hunted for warehouses, but still it flows The rice farmers of Haiti's

Artibonite valley took the law into their own hands, barricading the northern high-way, searching trucks, beating up drivers and spilling their merchandise into the road.

Truckloads of jobless Raboteau slum-dwellers who have been living off the contraband, begging or coercing tribute from the boats docking at Gonaives, descended on L'Estere with elubs, machetes, underwater harpoon guns and

In the pitched battle that followed one man died -some reports said three - and dozens were wounded.

The Gonaives mob retreated, looting shops, burning and damaging the homes of farmers and reportedly raping their wives and daaghters.

The local prefect issued a warrant for the arrest of Mr Tatoune and three other ringleaders, known as Jo Lucie, Flovel and Little Jack. As troops looking for them combed the mud buts of

Raboteau, the poorest part of the poorest town in Haiti, the mob barred their way. The Army said later it had made several arrests but did

not name those detained. In the capital, political groups which had planned to gather at Gonaives on Friday, to create a national democratic congress as a potential alternative government for Haiti, postponed the meeting, averting for the time being a serious new challenge to the interim regime of General Henri Namphy, the armed forces' chief.

Mr Tatoune and his follow-

attempted coup and a boycott Rice bought or stolen in the United States is sold here at almost half the price of the end in mind.

#### a statement saying he was studying ways to avoid "possible mishaps" whereby nonorthodox converts were regstered as Jews. In a television interview some weeks ago, he said that, if the judgement

in disarray over killing

"Pizza Connection" trial in New York, which has exposed extraordinary details about Matia drug dealing and money laundering, was in disarray yesterday after the murder of a key defendant.

Mr Gaetano Mazzara, agec 51, was found on Tuesday on a Brooklyn street, his feet protruding from a rubbish

as a high point in co-operation between police in Europe and the US in trying to break up a massive Mob-run beroin bus-

others for the past 14 months charged with drug dealing and money laundering behind the façade of a chain of pizza parlours in the Midwest and north-east.

Police said the organization billion (£2.5 billion). He was freed on \$1.5 million bail.

contended in court on Monday that his mysterious ab-Wednesday was "involun-

of fears that they would abscond. The judge has now released them but tightened their bail conditions. Judge Pierre Leval in-

circumstances. He warned them not to watch the television news or read the newspapers.
"I am putting great faith and confidence in you that you will follow my in-

structions," he said.

don the trial. Police said they knew of no notive for the killing.

Mr Sadiq al-Mahdi, the been left unsaid about our £10,000 million, a crippling

very high price for the Govern-ment to pay," a well-informed source said. As the new legislation was being judged for having been

Castro warns of hard times on anniversary



## Israel court upsets minister

Israel's Minister of the Interior, the Orthodox Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz, is contemplating resigning after losing a High Court battle to have the word "converted" inserted on the identification cards of all

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Jews born to non-Jewish mothers. Rabbi Peretz tried to bring in the classification early this year after an American convert. Mrs Shoshana Miller. insisted that she had a legal right to an identification card as a Jew. She had been converted in Colorado Springs

in a way not recognized by the orthodox community. After losing the case on Tuesday, Rabbi Peretz issued

Mafia trial

ern highway to all traffic in a bid to bring Namphy down. The Government recently survived a general strike, an

ers, who support the idea, had threatened to split the country in two by blocking the north-

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

went against him, he would have to resign. He has been consulting other orthodox rabbis about his position. Rahbi Peretz used his pos-

ition in the Government to insist that all those holding what he said were "suspect" conversion certificates were to have them validated by the local orthodox rabbinate. This meant, in practice, that reform or conservative Jews needed to become orthodox before being allowed to register as

Mrs Miller, who had been converted by a reform rabbi, opposed this and forced the year-long legal battle.

In his 14-page judgement Mr Meir Shamgar, the court president, said: "One may not see the term 'converted' or 'convert' as anything to do with the description of oationality as defined by law. There are not two nations, one

Jewish and one converted." Mr Menahem Elon, his deputy and a practising Jew, added that in his view the Interior Ministry was hreaking Halacha (religious law) hy trying to make a separate Both the chief rabbis of the

Ashkenazi and Sephardic communities had also spoken against the idea. While the court ruling has

upset the nrthodox community, new figures now being studied by the executive of the World Zionist Organization show that the number of Jews in the world is rapidly decreasing. Professor Yitzhak Warszawski, of the Executive Demography Committee, who is preparing the figures, said that today's 9.5 million Jews worldwide would drop to eight million by the and of the million by the end of the century and six million hy

Cuba's armed forces, and more than a million civilian volunteers, took part in a parade in Havana yesterday (above, right) to mark the 30th anniversary of the guerrilla war lannched by Fidel Castro against President Batista. It was the largest military pa-

rade in the country's history. In a speech later at the closing session of the Cuban Cummunist Party Congress President Castro (above, left) gave a warning that Cabans face economic hardships because of a 50 per cent drop in foreign currency earnings (AP reports).

He said the earnings were expected to drop from \$1.2 billion (about £850 million) to \$600 million. But he did not say when.

"We are going to have to be prepared for difficulties," he said, suggesting that Havana might not be able to meet its foreign debt repayment sche-He said a prolonged drought

tion in world oil prices had depleted Cuba's export earnings from the petroleum it received from the Soviet Union.

Dr Castro was, none the less, in an exoberant mood and said that the country had made great strides during the 27 years of its revolation.

With a more active role by party militants, he said, Cuba would be able to overcome corruption, indiscipline and the labour problems that have stifled productivity.

Dr Castro, who spoke for almost 21/2 hours to the more than 1,700 delegates, said be did not mind public discussions on the country's labour problems. In an obvious reference to Washington, be said he saw no harm in Jalling the nation's enemies into thinking that the revolution

The congress, which re-convened on Sunday after 2 nine-mouth recess, adopted a programme for the next five had cut export earnings from

was a failure.

guilty in Jerusalem District Court of premeditated mur-They were accused of shooting Hamis Tutangi, an Arah cab driver, three days after the killing of David Caspi, a Jewish can driver, in April

#### tion with Caspi's death. Race to save Iragi temples

1985 in Jerusalem. Police are

holding three Arabs in connec-

Baghdad (Reuter) — Iraqi archeologists are working in a race against time to uncover two 6,500-year-old temples before they are suhmerged under the rising waters of the

Tigris river. The mud-hrick temples were unearthed at the site of a huge dam being huilt on the riverbank at Eski-Mosul.

#### Tragic cable

Norristown. Pennsylvania AP) - Mrs Rose Abell, sister of Mr Joseph Cicippio, the American hostage, died on Tuesday 20 minutes after her family sent a telegram asking that his Beirut captors let her see or hear from Joe before she dies".

#### Biter bitten

Gondomar (Reuter) - Senor José de Lis, the right-wing mayor of this north-western Spanish town, bas failed by eight votes to seven to get the cost of his £1,000 dentures included in the municipal

## Argentina to end torture hearings

is preparing to bring in a law which will end the human rights trials which have caused serious discontent within the armed forces.

The so-called "final point" law will set a yet-to-be-de-termined time limit during which plaintiffs can take new human rights violations cases

The new law will not affect cases already being processed. if the law is approved, 700 cases involving human rights



General Camps: jailed over

'dirty war' cases.

trial President Alfonsin believes is essential for the successful re-

flict with the armed forces is a

consideration, General Ramoa Camps, the former chief of the end," the court said.

The proposed law, which

violations would not come to

integration of the armed forces into society, has deeply divided the country's political class, including the President's own Radical Party. "To have a permanent con-

being sent to Congress for

Prime Minister of Sudan, has accused Ethiopia of giving sanctuary and military and political support to the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), which for three years has been fighting a guerrilla war in the south of

Africa's largest nation. He says that the SPLA is now nothing more than a civilian airliner in August, with the loss of all 63 civilians on board, and that his Government will not negotuate with it to secure peace in

Interviewed in the garden of the south. his home here, he told The Times: "Until now, for dip-

From Eduardo Cué, Buenos Aires The Argentine Government Buenos Aires province police during the war against terrorism, was sentenced to 25 years in prison after being convicted

on 73 charges of torture.

The Federal Appeals Court, in a unanimous decision, also sentenced four other former police and military officers to prison terms ranging from four to 23 years. Two lower-ranking officers were acquitted of

all charges. General Ovidio Riccheri, who succeeded General Camps as police chief, was camps as poince cinci, was sentenced to 14 years for his part in 20 torture cases and Señor Miguel Etchecolatz, the former chief of investigations of the Buenos Aires province police, was sentenced to 23

years for his part in 95 torture The court refused to recognize the principle of due ob-edience, which had become the centrepiece of the defeace case. The ruling is expected to have a big impact on at least one pending trial, which will take place regardless of the Government's efforts to end

judicial proceedings against former military officers. "Obedience is extremely important, but not more so than the judicial process. In a state of law, there is no super-ior authority than the law," the court ruled.

The court rejected defence arguments that the methods used by the military govern-ment were justified by the extent of the terrorist war

against the state. "We are not judging here the ends of the repression but rather the methods employed. They (the defendants) are not being indeed for horizon had victorious but for the methods employed to arrive at such an

# From Christopher Thomas New York

bag. He was a sworn member of the Matia. His arrest last year was seen

He had been on trial with 19

had moved heroin worth \$3.6 Mr Mazzara's lawyers had

As a precaution police over the weekend imprisoned other defendants in the case because

formed the jury of the death of Mr Mazzara but not the

Defence attorneys for the other defendants yesterday submitted motions to aban-

They had a particularly strong case against him be-cause, they said, he had been observed piling money and drugs into the boot of his car.

#### Sudan says Ethiopia aids guerrillas From Charles Harrison, Khartoum

have got to be said now. We think Ethiopia needs to review its policy and to accept the need for good neighbourly relations. The Ethiopians are supporting a movement that is clearly terrorist: they are concentrating on civilian targets."

Mr al-Mahdi took office in now nothing more than a may after a year's transitional terrorist organization, as interrorist organization of a dicated by its destruction of a dicated by it eiry in 1985. He is bitter about Nimeiry's policies, describing him as a dictator "who conducted him-

self like Louis XIV, piling up enormous debts for which Sudan is still trying to produce accurate figures. The best estimates exceed

agreement with the International Monetary Fund - a mission is now here for consultations - which will give his country a breathing The war in the south lies at

the heart of Sudan's political

stability: continued fighting

can only make the Muslim

population of only 20 million.

tic about the prospects for an

But Mr al-Mahdi is optimis-

north more militant. Mr al-Mahdi, bowever, says that his Government has overwhelming support and is stable and strong. He believes that his policy of "no capitulation" to the extreme groups in the south will bring



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With the Indian capital returning yesterday to oormal after the spasm of violence during the past two days, three High Court judges rejected the appeals of the three Sikhs who conspired to assassinate Mrs Indira Gandhi.

The anti-Sikh mobs were restrained, and the curfew which had been imposed in the Old City was lifted for two hours as Mr Justice Ranganathao read the portion of the judgement which confirmed the death sentence to be carried out on Satwant Singh, the young police constable who emptied his Steo gun into the Prime Minister on October 31 1984, and his co-

Extreme security measures were in force in the court as the judges filed in. Metal detectors guarded the doors, and large numbers of lawyers and journalists scrimmaged outside trying to gain entrance while the two-minute hearing

The judges spoke from be-hind a screen of bulletproof glass, and the court room was searched thoroughly by a spe- tor, and Kehar Singh, an uncle

Bhopal's

day brings

big strike

A general strike called hy

the Communist Party of India

marked the second anniver-

sary of the Bhopal gas disaster

which killed more than 2,350

people in the world's worst

Shops and markets were

closed and most public ve-

hicles were off the road as a

series of processions or-

ganized hy competing and

quarrelliog volunteer bodies

wound towards the Union

Carbide pesticide plant. It was

from there, two years ago, that a deadly cloud of methyl-

isocyanate gas spread over the

A torchlight procession be-

gan the anniversary late at

night, and early yesterday

morning a cycle contingent led by Mr David Bergman, a

British volunteer formerly ar-

Other processions carried

rested and charged with spy-

effigies of Mr Warren Ander-

son, chairman of Unioo Cas-

bide, and garlanded them with

necklaces of sandals before ritually burning them.

About 150 police guarded the plant and regulated the

processions with specially

huilt barriers.

iog, arrived from Delhi.

industrial accident.

The three judges' statement runs for 643 pages and begins hy describing the murder of Mrs Gandhi as "perhaps the most gruesome" of the assassinations of public fig-

ures this century.

They rejected the notion that hurt religious feelings provided an extenuating circumstance after the Army's seizure of the Golden Temple of Amritsar ordered by Mrs Gandhi. They also rejected the defence contention that the position of the victim as Prime Minister should oot be taken into consideration.

In addition, the judges re-called the days of rioting that followed Mrs Gandhi's death and insisted: "Not only did the assassins kill Mrs Gandhi but they were also responsible for triggering off riots resulting loss of property and

people."
The High Court bench began the appeal proceedings in ebruary soon after the end of the trial.

The other two accused were

of Satwant. They all still have the option of a further appeal cial security squad of Delhi

> At the end of the hearing Mr Ranganathan also directed that the clothing that Mrs Gandhi was wearing on the day she was shot should be handed over to the Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust for

to the country's Supreme

Meanwhile, Mrs Gandhi's son and successor, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, discussed the present upsurge of terrorist killing in Punjab with leaders of the parliamentary opposition parties. Not unnaturally, they failed to agree on what to do next, particularly since Mr Gandhi was unable to give much information about what his Government had in mind.

The Opposition leaders mselves were divided on the need for imposing presidential rule once more on the state, most parties firmly opposing the idea. Two, the Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party, and the Lok Dal which has a powerful presence in neigh-bouring Haryana, saw no harm io it.



#### Couple too fat to adopt

Sydney - Michael and Sue Murnane, above, claim they have been banned from adopting a baby because they are too fat (Reuter reports).

The Murnanes said the Government had told them that they should each shed at least 55 lb before adopting a child.

But a Government spokesman said that the Murnanes wanted to adopt a baby from where strict laws applied.

"As far as I know it's the first time ever a couple has been refused permission to adopt because they were overweight but the provisioo has always been there," he said.

Mrs Murnane, aged 39, a oursing assistant, weighs 202 lb, while her husband, 29, a boilermaker, weighs 198 lb. The couple said they were judged to be almost 30 per Sri Lanka or South Korea ceot overweight, but otherwise were in perfect health.

#### **Broader** powers for Moi approved

Presideot Daniel arap Moi of Kenya has increased his executive authority significantly as a result of constitutional amendments the Government rushed through Parliament earlier this week. In a vote of 131 to 0, the

National Assembly agreed to a Bill which Kenya's Attorney-General, Mr Justice Matthew Muli, said would "streamline" the Constitution.

In practice, the new legisla-tion will remove certain obstacles which President Moi sees as delaying implementation of important government One of the maio changes in

the Constitution is the aboli-tion of the post of Chief Secretary, giving way to a head of the Civil Service with dimioished powers. This should affect the successor to the present Chief Secretary. Mr Simeoo Nyachae, who retires in February. The post of Chief Secretary

was itself created by an amendment to the Constitu-tioo in 1982. Although Mr Nyachae is a trusted confidant of President Moi, there has been a feeling that some senior civil servants have been using the established procedure of ohtaining prior approval from the Chief Secretary for all kinds of decisions as an excuse for delaying implementation of some programmes.

Observers recall that, when the Chief Secretary's post was introduced, it was used by the now disgraced Kikuyu politician, Mr Charles Njonjo, then Attorney-General, to help build up a rival power one of the most ardent

supporters of the new legislation debated in the National Assembly this week was Mr Peter Okondo, the Labour Minister in Mr Moi's Cabinet, Speaking in Parliament in 1983, a year after the post of Chief Secretary had been established, he accused Mr Njonjo of "sneaking in" his ally, Mr Jeremiah Kiereini, into this key post, while MPs were not realizing the implica-

tions of what they were dning. Pointing out that, as the amendment creating the post had been tagged on to a Bill to create Kenya as a *de jure* one-party state, Mr Okondo said that for any MP to have queried the new post would have been seen as opposing the one-party state "due to the political climate at that time". Besides the abolition of the Chief Secretary's post, the new legislation will enable President Moi to remove from office an attorney-general or an auditor-general like any other civil servant, as they oo longer have their security of

tenure guaranteed.

## THE ARTS 1

# Refusing to be too sensible

Peter Ormrod, director of Eat The Peach which opens in London this week, broke all the rules for cinematic success.

Interview by Simon Banner

"I think I broke the record for a flight to Cannes," explains Peter Ormrod, film director, standing beside the ricketylooking biplane which helped him do it. "Not for the fastest journey, though, hut for the slowest, because it took five days." Those who travelled more conventionally and more speedily, however, were denied not only the pleasure of flying a part of the way in formation with a flock of flamingoes (bound for the Camargue rather than the film festival), but, once in Cannes itself, the promotional possibilities offered by a light aircraft as well.

Flying low over the beach each day in a biplane em-blazoned with the title of his new movie, Eat The Peach, was obviously not a bad way of grabbing some attention, and the Irish-made movie premiered to a packed house, while more than 100 people had to be turned away.

We should oot, however, expect any aerial stunts as a prelude to the release of Eat The Peach, which opens at the Plaza this week. For ooe thing, the place is currectly erounded following an unfortunate and unenvisaged landing in a field of garlic, and anyway, the director says, "I really believe that whatever the hype, you can't fill a cinema unless a film is good."

ut Eat The Peach, a wryly-told story of strange goings oo somewhere in the middle of rural Ireland, is one of the best comedies of the year.

Ormrod co-wrote as well as directed the film and clearly its heroes are two men very much after his own heart. These particular desperadoes risk life and limb by building a fairground wall of death in their back garden, but it could equally well, one feels, have been a biplane. "Well, yes," Ormrod says, "what I like about them and their enterprise is that they refuse to be too sensible. Being sensible is a dreadful curse, don't you think? But the great thing about them building this wall of death, is the obvious relationship between the desperation they feel and the desperate nature of the ven-



ture. They're stuck without vision. But it was oot until two cash, or much else for that or three years later, just after matter, but long for some sort he had finished working on In of opportunity to escape the limitations of their lives, and that's what the film is about: having the courage to grasp

Like all the most improbable stories, the one at the centre of Eat The Peach is true, and dates, as the director explains, from the days when he first arrived in Ireland from England and went to work as a producer-director for RTE. "I was attached to a magazine programme," he recalls, "and I used to get sent all over the place digging out stories. One assignment was to go to the Midlands of Ireland, where, to be honest, there wasn't a lot

happening. But then I went out driving one morning, and in the most unlikely setting I came across this huge, 60 foot high barrel, which looked like a gasometer and turned out to be a homemade wall of death. The man who had huilt it had even given up his job and sold land to fund the project which had fermented in his imagination ever since he had seen that Elvis Presley movie with the wall of death, Roustabout, oo the television. His neighbours thought he was mad, of

Ormrod returned with a film crew and made a short piece about it for Irish tele-

A Free State, a highly acclaimed RTE and Channel 4 co-production about German spies in Ireland, that Ormrod's thoughts turned to

the incident again. "I went to a fairground and saw a wall of death," he remembers, "and suddenly it occurred to me that there was a story there which would make a great movie about enterprise and initiative and a desperate search for opportunity."

ronically, this would also seem to describe the story of Ormrod's own struggle to bring Eat The Peach to the screen. Initially the idea was turned down by every prospective backer including Channel 4 and the Irish Film Board. "I began to feel that oo one would give me mooey," Ormrod says, "but I believed there really was a good film there, so I decided to try a

different tack."
A meeting with Joho Kelleher, an ex-boss of Ormrod's at RTE, led to Kelleher becoming producer of the projected movie and a rather spectacular solution to the problem of its financing: a share issue oo the Irish stock market. Both large and smallscale investors put up a total

of £1 million in return for shares in Strongbow, Eat The Peach's production company, while, with Channel 4 also decidiog to change its mind and step in with another half million or so, the film went into production.

"There's a lesson in that," says Peter Ormrod. "Of course it's unusual to have a stock issue to raise money for making a film, but then filmmaking is an uousual business. You might as well try anything. Who knows what will work?" The solution certainly worked not only for Ormrod, who got to make his film, but for investors in

Stroogbow as well.
Already Eat The Peach has surpassed all previous records for a home-grown production at the Irish box-office, and in the process has outperformed The Purple Rose of Cairo and A Chorus Line as well.

"I think people in Britain will enjoy the film very much," says Ormrod, cause even though any film has to be made essentially with its home market in mind, I'd say that with Eat The Peach we've also managed to describe an honest human situatioo which has universal characteristics. Apparently," he adds with a smile, ' already going down well in Finland of all places, so we should be okay over here,



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to dissolve its links with the independent companies and go it alone. Or - as you were! - it could not possibly do any such thing. The mandarins of Charlotte Street might do worse than coosider un heretical view advanced by a free enterprise gura oo last night's The New Enlightenment: "Groups can't create anything."

Presented by Professor

Kenneth Minogne - a man wbose close-set eyes balloon with despair at the mention of Herbert Morrison - this enlogy to the entrepreneurial spirit smacked a mouthful of nails into the coffin of state ownership. The free-wheeling creativity of independent con

#### **TELEVISION**

cerns was held up for admira-tion; Hong Kong's low taxation was fulsomely lauded and Italy's high taxation rou-tinely anathemized; and Akio Morita, the chairman of Sony, was all hut canonized.

What made it of interest was the news that the series is funded by a right-wing organization — a circumstance which would surely have been unthinkable when the channel first opened to "piuralistic" fanfares. But the real cychrowraiser for the consumer was its status as last night's only fresb offering worth a thought.

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Four years ago, it was promised that Channel 4 would not simply be "ITV2".
With so many ITV repeats, bowever, the channel often does resemble a sort of foundlings' home for recycled material.

One of the repeats, at least, was worthwhile: Tony Palmer's Prix Italia-winning memorial to Benjamin Britten, A Time There Was... Britteo himself was too stringently non-Bobemian ("always in and out the bath" reported his housekeeper) to be of abiding biographical interest, but even in his wheelchair the cheery old boy evinced a crinkly charm which this profile captured winningly.

In general, however, Chanoel 4 needs to pull up its plaralistic socks.



Change partners and dance: Beauty (Maria Almeida) and the ill-fated Beast (Anthony Dowell) before his transformation

## Jinx takes the title role

that the show must go on.

to the soundtrack by Vangelis, performed oo tape. I hope that Sir Claus Moser and Sir John

Tooley, as they listened to

this, literally synthetic, music

regurgitated by the loudspeak-

ers, had the grace to feel ashamed that what is sup-

posed to be our leading music

theatre should find time and

did not ask to be taken

of sound and fury, and we know what that signifies.

Wayne Eagling's productioo meaoders self-iodulgeotly

along for a full hour. A little

more than halfway through

there is a passage for four men,

which, without actually hav-

ing any more real choreo-

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seriously.

DANCE

Beauty and the Beast

Covent Garden

If, as some believe, there is a inx on Covent Garden's new productions lately, it was working overtime last night at tbe premiere of Beauty and the

Anthooy Dowell, playing the second of the title roles, suffered an injury only a few minutes into the ballet. He struggled on for a time but collapsed and the curtains had to be lowered.

There followed an unscheduled 25-minute intermission while Jonathan Cope put on costume and beavy make-up to take over and complete the performance. Sympathy and admiration there must be, oot only for those two men but for the eotire cast who refused to allow this to disrupt the' whole-hearted way they put

Martin Cropper | On the other hand, the end the end of a good class, does

product was such as to underpack in so many spectacular mine faith in the old belief (and sometimes dangerous) steps that it hrings the house The chief objection must be

Bruce Sansom starts it brilliantly and Simon Rice, Peter Abegglen and Erol Pickford successively increase the excitemeot.

That apart, there is nothing of much note in the choreography. Two characters representing the Sun and Moon have a duet which the audience only belatedly re-The less solemn parts of it repeat the amplified music alized was meant as a parody; the back-breaking and clumsy movements it ioflicts on its box effects of the same, cofortunate practitioners composer's Frankenstein, but (Cynthia Harvey and Stephen Jefferies) are far too close for comfort to what Beauty (Mamore offensively because that ria Almeida) and ber trans-The empty roarings meant formed Beast are given at the for the beast's anguish are full

ballet's end. Elsewhere the protagonists go through all the obvious signs of suffering with unquestioning sincerity. A group of 20 black-faced supporters manipulate the props and are rewarded finally by a high-kicking oumber in black light. A mirror sequence allows Lesley Collier, who would have played Beauty had she

As with Frankenstein. Eagling has the stage effects

working almost harder than the dancers and with more Platforms go up aod down,

candles are repeatedly lit and extinguished, a revolving ball of mirrors (upbeld by a second Moon in a swing) scatters light. He is not good on detail; one scene contains several black-outs to denote passion time, but the hands of the clock stay resolutely at seven although the pendulum ticks

For all bis flamboyant theatricality, Eagling hardly bothers with the story, offering just illustrated scenes from the plot.

Luckily the illustrations are made handsome by the enlarged picture-book designs of Jan Pienkowski, helping to bide the banality and paucity of the dance arrangements, The transformations work smoothly, and the costumes, especially the Beast's hairy red and black one, are colourfully

John Percival



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orchestral heart-strings. But there are enormous gains. Jonathan Dove's chamber orchestration, superbly played by the company's orchestra under their founder, Simon Halsey, bares every flicker of pulse in Puccini's placing and

Even the disturbingly un stable top register of John Oakman's Rodolfo does, perversely, fit the wreck of a man be so coovincingly portrays. Patricia O'Neill's Mimi thrives on the limited space: she sings and acts her heart out, as indeed do Elizabeth Collier's Musetta and Patrick Wheatley's stalwart Marcello.

. Hilary Finch

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to the German tradition.

His way with the classics is uofussy, almost to a fault. Broad lyricism and a warm blend of orchestral timbres are the hallmarks of his Beethoven. The long melodic phrases being deftly sculpted in the air. not with a baton, but with the open palm of the hand - one possible reason for the intermittent lack of this composer's rhythmic bite.

In the violin concerto Masur was paired with Kyung-Wha Chung an imposing conductor, massive but gentle in build, pitted against a diminutive and firey soloist. Eveo when there was clear

agreement over tempo, these two artists have a fun-damentally different approach to the music, with the soloist iojecting a far higher degree of

After a surprisingly uncertain opening Kyung-Wha Chuog soon found her usual ithe energy. To the finale she added extra attack, poised almost like a cat ready to pounce on each next entry.

Indeed, the spring in the rhythm that she brought to the inale was not matched in the ballet that followed. But this performance of excerpts from Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet did have real strength, both in Masur's appreciation of the music's substance and the fine response that he obtained from the Royal Philharmonic Orcbestra. All departments of the orchestra sounded on good form.

The nine movements presented here gave us a different selection of Shakespeare's characters and events than the usual suites. In the circumstances it was probably just as well that Mercutio did oot put in an appearance.

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As at its Lyttelton opening in February it is Simoo's craftsmanship that first books your attentioo. Here are seven characters, all with their own iotimate stories to tell, in a house where everybody is free to barge in to everybody else's room. As Simoo haodles it, there might be no technical difficulty at all. His alter ego. the 15-year-old Eugene, sim-ply addresses the house in the role of a would-be writer airing bis grievances to a sympathetic prosperity. For the others, who confide mainly in duologues, Simon has to clear the stage: but throughout the piece there is not a single unmotivated exit. or flash-back speech.

Ooce the separate lines of action have been established they converge at the dinoer table, with everyone trying to dump their problems in the lap of the over-worked father. But neither bere, nor later in. the piece where family comedy expands into ever-widen-, ing social circles, is there any sense that events are being



Ties that bind: Susan Engel as the mother with Harry Towl

last it is the characters who lead, develop, and carn ever-increasing affection.

Rudman's production has been materially altered by the new casting of Susao Engel and Dorothy Tutin in the roles of Kate (the mother) and her dependent widowed sister Blanche. At the Lyttelton these had hard-surface performances: Kate as an exhausted bome-builder who could hardly bring herself to utter a kind word; Blanche as a poor relation withdrawn into tacituro dignity.

With Miss Engel, Kate loses her shrewishness and irritabil-ity with the result that she leaves Eugene with nothing much to complain about. However, anyone casting Miss Engel is letting himself in for emotional generosity, and in her performance Kate emerges as the force that has held the

manipulated. From first to family together. She is oot good at nagging, but her anger on larger issues is tremendous. The balance of Michael

Miss Tutin's Blanche, likewise, loses ber hard edge and appears as a once-pretty girl who now finds herself lost and going blind on the brink of middle-age. In her, you see frustrated rage rising up in a vulnerable character who has no means to express it. Their partnership, and in particular the bitter last act row, rings with painful truth; and this time they look like sisters.

Steven Mackintosh, Robert Glenister, Harry Towb and the rest of Rudman's company remain unaltered and oo top form; and, as at the Lynchton, Carl Toms's twostorey set of the crowded Jerome residence comes to life as an eighth member of the

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#### **SPECTRUM**

# Reagan's honest broker sweeps in

FRANK CHARLES CARLUCCI III

neat, bespectacled and coolly efficient, Frank Charles Carlucci III is President Reagan's fifth National Security Adviser in six years. In itself that says something about the diffi-culty of the job, whose four previous holders — Richard V. Allen, Judge William Clark, Rob-ert McFarlane and Admiral John Poindexter - bave all left under a

He takes office out only at the low point of the Reagan Admin-istration, as the President and his advisers struggle to cootain the surging Iran arms crisis, but also when the National Security Council itself is under intensive scrutiny. It is a daunting challenge. Few doubt, however, that Carlucci

A former deputy director of the Central Iotelligence Agency, a career diplomat who played a vital role in preventing Portugal going communist, a White House aide and a deputy secretary of defence, be has that almost unique blend of experience to enable him to hold the ring in the chronic squabbles between the various cabinet departments, using his knowledge of each to mould a unified policy which can be put to the President. All agree that the NSC is at the eye of the Iran storm. If Reagan is to weather it, he must be kept affoat hy the unsinkable reliability of his

new National Security Adviser. Senior officials welcomed his appointment, sayiog be was just what they needed. "He's going to be an honest broker, who will give the NSC a greater direction and a

stronger role," one said. The strengths that tipped the balaoce in his favour - against other front-runners such as David Abshire, retiring US ambassador to Nato, and William Hyland, editor of the influential Foreign

Affairs journal - are his political impartiality and corresponding ability to work as a senior civil servant in the British mould.

This comes from his long career io government and in the diplomatic service, mostly in Africa, and his experience of having worked for both the Republicans and the Democrats, in the Nixon, Ford, Carter and Reagan administrations. Like most senior figures in American government, he has also done a spell in business — as chairman of the recently dissolved Sears World Trade, a failed attempt by Sears Roebuck to boost foreign sales, and as head of his

own consulting firm, International Planning Analysis Centre. Carlucci, a graduate of Prince-ton University, saw war service in Korea, where he was a naval gunnery officer. He then joined the Foreign Service, and while serving in Africa in 1960 was the victim of a stabbing io the Congo during the crisis there, when he rescued a carload of Americans from a mob. He also served in Zanzibar and as political officer of the US embassy in Brazil.

His career in domestic government began in 1971 when he became director of the Office of Economic Opportunity under President Nixon. The following year be became deputy director of the White House Office of Management and Budget, then run by Caspar Weinberger. A close bond was forged between the two. meo that led to his serving again under Weinberger in the Pentagoo, and to the Defence Secretary's strong backing for him as National Security Adviser.

One of his more visible posts was in 1974, when President Ford appointed him Ambassador to Portugal. It was a difficult job, demanding a delicate balance of tact, toughness and nerve. Por-



The President's National Security Advisers tend not to last long; will new-broom Carbocci buck the trend?

tugal was engulfed in the turmoil following the revolution that got rid of Caetano and the Salazar legacy. But in the cuphoria, the country drifted steadily leftwards, with radical military officers outbidding each other to propose ever more drastic reforms. The civilian government of Mário Soares appeared to lose control of events, and by 1975 there seemed a real threat that the communists, organized and powerful, would make a bid for power.

The general feeling was strongly anti-American and anti-Nato, and Carlucci was denounced by many Portuguese as the personification of American interference. But in fact he worked hard behind the scenes to prevent Dr Henry

Kissinger, then Secretary of State, from adopting an ever harsher policy towards Lisbon. Kissinger had written the country off, and wanted to halt US aid. Carlucci, working closely with Helmut Schmidt, then Chancellor of West Germany and a close ally of Soares, helped arrange desperately needed financing for Portugal's Social Democratic Party, which finally prevailed against the

he Democrats also turned to Carlucci to get them out of a difficult situation. Morale at the CIA was low. The agency had repeatedly been pilloried in Congress for past excesses and for illegal covert operations, President Carter was determined to clean things up, and had ap-pointed Admiral Stansfield Turner to head the sprawling organization. In 1978 Carlucci was chosen as his deputy.

"Carlucci was very astute in dealing with Congress," Admiral Turner recalls. It was a critical role, as the CIA tried to repair the battered relations with Capitol Hill and re-establish the trust and secrecy necessary both for the proper oversight of the CIA's activities and for the agency to function effectively.

Mollification will again be a key component of Carlucci's new role, as the Administration fights to prevent Congress, in its indignation at the recent capers of the

French students will be demonstrating en masse today, but Diana Geddes says a sense of déjà vu may mislead

1930: Born, Scranton Pennsylvania. Educated Princeton University and Harvard Graduate school of Rusinass, War service in

1954: Married Jean Anthony (divorced 1974). One son, two daughters. 1955: Joined Jantzen Company,

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1974: Ambassador to Portugal.

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1982: Joined Sears World

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NSC, so circumscribing the Council's role that it would no longer be a useful tool of government for the President.

After Reagan was elected in 1980, he appointed Weinberger to the Pentagon. Weinberger made it a condition of his own job that Carlucci become his deputy. Carincci was strongly opposed by the conservatives and those raring to usher in the Reaganite rightwing revolution, who saw him as a pragmatist, too closely associated with previous governments. But he got the joh, and stayed a year until he left in 1982 to join Sears World Trade.

Born in Pennsylvania, twice married, with three children, Carlucci is a man who has not sought the limelight. He is a quiet, but effective operator - the consummate No 2, as one commentator put it this week. That might have been a handicap in the old NSC, which was expected to play a large part in coordinating and formulating foreign policy, with the Security Adviser himself mediating and forcing consensus with the strength of his own personality. But things have

Reagan has made it clear that in the wake of the Iran fiasco, the NSC is to go back to being purely an advisory and coordinating body. It has been forbidden to carry out any actual operations while the Tower commission looks at its role in foreign and security policy. The NSC does not now need a man with big political

amhitions of his own. It needs someooe willing to stand back, take a cool look at what he is running, and implement the

organizational changes. "He has some standing in the White House. He's oot going to be treated as a cierk, and I'm sure be will have a greater input in the day-to-day policy than his predecessor," an official said.

ertainly Carlucci is better attuned politically than Vice-Admiral Poindexter, whom he succeeds. He would never be caught, like Poindexter, writing a damaging memorandum advocating a campaign of disinformation. He knows the need to cultivate the links to Congress, and has enough cootacts in a variety of government agencies still to know how to cut through the bureaucracy that so ofteo overwhelms American government

His weakness, it appears, is a lack of business acumen. When he was appointed to Sears World Trade it was already failing. He tried to focus the company on consumer goods, but losses persisted and it closed with considerable debts. Given the embarrassing ability of Colonel Oliver North and perhaps others at the NSC to turn political arms deals into business veotures that kept the Cootras in funds, this handicap might now seem a positive advantage for Carlucci.

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## The son also marches..

Some are already talking of voting patterns in the last one million demonstrators in general election in March: 38 the streets of Paris today, of at least 500,000. At all RPR-UDF coalition, 40 per government's Bill to reform the universities is almost certain to be the biggest student demonstration since the great apheavals of May 1968.

But this is a new breed of "moral generation", they are they want nothing to do with the long hair and nihilism of an age before they were born. Violence is out, Marx is dead. Political fellow travellers trade unions, communists will join the march today but are being kept to the back, out of the limelight.

The sharp shift by today's youth away from the extreme left positions of their prede-cessors is clear from their cent for the extreme right National Front, and only 6 per cent for the Communist party. However, the students are

no less determined than those of 1968. They believe the Bill will lead to university entrance one with the baccalaureat roughly equivalent to a British A level — has in theory a guaranteed right to a university place and the government wants to increase the propor-tion of students obtaining the

proportion of jobless graduates is only 14 per cent.

change will mean selection, saying the entrance methlogy will be left to individval universities. But already the government, worried by the strength of the protest strike for a week - has handed the students a minor, but significant, victory by agreeing to withdraw the Bill temporar ily, sending it back to commit-tee for "clarification" and amendment following the first mass demonstrations all over France a week ago.

# Power without flowers: pragmatism in the class of '86 has replaced the idealism of the class of '68, but will the line hold?

cated. "If there's a big enough turn-out on Thursday, we can win", one student leader said. The government denies the The government is seeking to calm us, but our discontent runs much deeper than that. The democracy of the universities is at stake. The fact that the government has already begun to pull back means we can win a complete victory."

M Jacques Chirac, the prime minister, went on tele-vision on Sunday to bemoan

"misunderstandings" sarrounding his Bill, and to protest that the government had no intention of introducing selection or of creating a new hierarchy of universities by allowing them to grant their own degrees and to charge differential registration fees. His reassurances flopped.

"He takes us for fools". Isabelle Thomas, one of the student leaders, said. "Does he think the students don't strike for the sake of it; we want our degrees. But we want the withdrawal of the Bill." A split is opening up, however, between hardliners who want a continuation of the strike, with occupation of buildings where possible, until the Bill has been totally abaudoned, and moderates who want to find a compromise

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## A terrorist by the tail



misty Fenland morning, 97 fish, each approximately 10 inches long, were introduced to the peaceful, mirror-calm waters of Norfolk's Great Ouse Relief Channel, a deep man-made trench slicing the table-flat countryside like a submerced cilysy cutting. submerged railway cutting.
The infant fish were zander and the water bailiffs who iotroduced them had unknow-

ingly lit the fuse of an ecological time bomb now exploding all over Britain. The sharptoothed, fat-bellied descendants of those first fish are threatening to colonize river systems all over Britain, so water authority has reversed the normal call and told anglers: catch all you can. The zander, farmed commercially on the Continent and regarded as delicious to eat, is a blood-thirsty killer

both for food and pleasure.

sive roach and bream and several other species. And there is no telling what could happen if the zander got into saimon fisheries, which are worth millions of pounds.

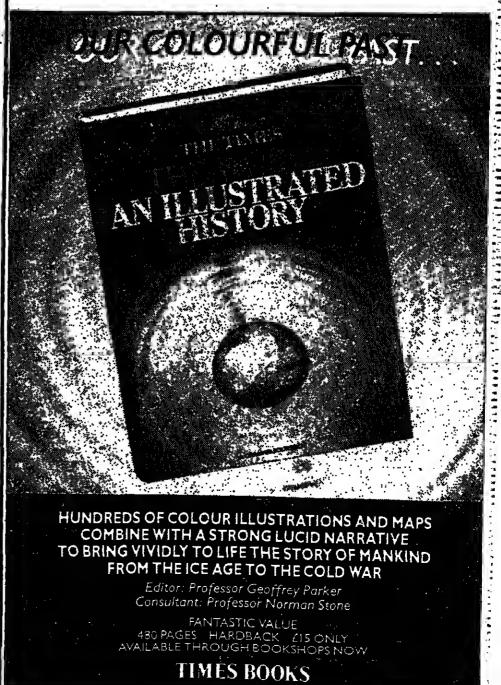
Within five years of the zander's introduction to the Great Ouse Relief Channel, fish of 10lb and more were being caught. In 1977, a monster of 17lb 12oz was caught there. Anglers began to and bream stocks. Since then zanders have

been caught elsewhere - in the Thames, the Suffolk Stour, the Severn and the Warwickshire Avon. Now there are reports of their appearance in the River Nene, Northamptonshire, and the River Glen in Lincolnshire. Their spread has not been entirely natural; a few unscrupulous anglers have illegally transferred them to

Mr Peter Cotton, general manager of the Water Authority's Oundle Division says: "We suspect they were introduced illegally by persons unaware of the damage this voracious predator can cause. This This is an extremely dangerous thing to do; it can badly upset the fine balance between predators and prey." Zander originally came to England from Bothkamper Lake in Schleswig-Holstein and were used to stock enclosed waters at Woburn and elsewhere. But when the fish were introduced to the Relief Channel they

were given the keys to a vast new kingdom - a territory Dainty dish though it may be, the zander, it seems, is a taste which Britain's water-

Alan Bennett



# Change and decay in all around

o write a first novel at the end of your life looks like an inspiration; but to achieve worldwide fame as a result looks more like inadvertence, particularly when the author in question is Duke of Palma and Prince nf Lampedusa. When it was first published in 1958, The Leopard disgusted modernists and left-wing writers alike (they are not always the same thing, especially in Italy), but it came as a revelation to everyone clse; here was a Sicilian Prince mocking the achievements of the Risorgimento, attacking the liberals and the petitborgeoisie, implicitly supporting the Bourbon regime, and somehow at the same time writing a masterpiece. It is as if, in this country, an elderly Duke had written a novel condemning the Reform Acts of the last century; given the generally brutish state of the British aristocracy, this is of course improbable. But the analogy suggests the fuss that this particular novel provoked.

The eentral character is a certain Don Fahrizio, a 19th-Century Prince not a million miles removed from one of Lampedusa's own ancestors.
The novel opens in May 1860, just before Garibaldi's landing in Sicily, as Don Fabrizio waits with cynical patience for the destruction of the old order that he represents. By the end of the book, the narrative has moved forward to 1910; Don Fabrizio is dead, his old houses are essentially "relics", nnthing more, hut the condition of Sicily is no better and no more enlightened under bourgeois rule. In one of the many passages which have ensured this book's fame, a hureaucrat looks from his coach at the scarred and mountful visage of that island:
"Under the ashen light, the landseape lurehed to and frn,
irredeemable." The poetry of Lampedusa's novel flows into the Sicilian countryside, but it is the poetry of executy and not of

His own Palace at Palermo was destroyed by Allied bombing in 1943, and this act of defilement haunted him for the rest of his life;

It's a case of dog-eat-dog in the books here under review.

Class, religion, geography, and

gender negate the season of

goodwill, and provide a battle-

ground on which conflicts of

varying degrees of serinusness

are played nut.
The lightest touch is that of

Peter Tinniswood, whose Un-cle Mort's North Country is the return to the popular Brandon family of his carlier novels. The book is made up of a

series of comic dialogues be-

tween the remarkable Uncle

Mort and his foil, the phleg-

traditional northern day-trip

Peter Ackroyd reviews the Prince of modern novelists: do you resist change or come to terms with it?

THE LEOPARD With a Memory and two Stories By Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa Translated by Archibald Colquhoun Collins Harvill, £10.95

but it was also the single most important source for this book. He created poetry out of his loss, and in The Leopard the old house rises once more - rebuilt, as it were, in the imagination. But from where does that imagination spring? In the short memoir that accompanies this nov-et, he describes his boyhood explora-tinn of the great palaces that his family possessed, and in the process it becomes clear that he is haunted hy these houses

t is as if they took on, by some act of morphological resonance, the very shape of his own destiny (much the greater pity, then, that the publishers did not choose to include the photographs of those huildings which appeared in their earlier edition of Racconti), And before anyone begins to talk about the proprietorial nostalgia that afflicts decaying nostalgia that afflicts decaying aristocrats, it ought to be pointed out that in Lampedusa's account there is as much loneliness as there is grandeur, he provides a rich catalogue of aesthetic objects; but also, and more powerfully, he evokes a succession of shuttered, empty, and forgotten rooms. And so it is that the 19th Century is seen to anticipate the 19th Century is seen to anticipate the condition of the 20th.

This identification with his subject also implies an identification with the entire period, of course, and one of the strengths of this book is the suspicion that it could have been written in the 1880s rather than in

the 1950s. Lampedusa is filled with abandoned. So if this is a novel such an intense realization of the past that he is able effortlessly to recreate it one can imagine him walking through the streets of Paler-mo, literally seeing everything as it was a hundred years before. That is how historical novelists become

His excellent translator, Archibald Colquhoun, suggests that the novel is also "impregnated with the transmuted spiritual yearning of a particular kind of artist, who is also a non-practising Catholic"; and indeed in its combination of the mystical and the humorous, in its displaced religious imagery, it bears all the marks of a lapsed Catholic who tries to create a fictional world that will

about the processes of social change, is also one about the nature of fatality; if it is an account of the Sicilian character and the recesses of that island's history, it is also an impassioned disquisition on the soul

on Fabrizio is an amateur astronnmer; and, at times of great anxiety, he goes back to his telescope and discerns the "timeless harmony" of the constellations. This is an historical novel; but one that takes time itself as its subject.

And so the reader receives the very strong impression that Lampedusa has put into this book everything he ever thought, or ever wanted to say.

nervousness, the occasionally chimsy inclusiveness, and the enthusiasm of a first novel. Lampedusa seems not to have been altogether certain exactly what kind of "fiction" he was

He died in 1957, not knowing that the book would ever be published, let alone that it would become one of the great examples of Twentieth-Century literature. And when one thinks of the Prince of Lampedusa, living in the ruins of an old order, obsessed with the past and relatively indifferent to the future, this does seem a curiously appropriate fate.

And that makes it curiously touching — touching because, despite its great artistry, it is in some ways a very innocent piece of work. Of course he was a highly cultured man — he even wrote an essay about Stendhal (not reprinted here, despite the publishers' claim to have collected the whole oeurre) - but at the same time The Leopard has all the

#### and Factoids After more than 30 books one THRILLERS Tim Heald

**Oval Officitis** 

of the country's most distinguished old thriller writers has suffered a nasty and rather unexpected attack of Oval Office Syndrome. Readers of Mr Alistair Maclean will know that he is at his best on the bridge of an indomitable British craft fighting its way through stupendous seas. The crew - and part of the plot will resemble one of those sinries in which an Englishman, a Scotsman, an Irish-man, and a Welshman say or do something incredibly characteristic. They will be united. not nnly against the appalling gale, but also against a number

of perfectly filthy foreigners preferably Jernies. Well the old boy starts off in the conventinual manner. There's a map of the Eastern Med., with a los of dots charing a vnyage across the Aegean, and the first sentence conforms so absolutely to the Maclean stereotype that it needs to be savoured in its

An overhead broadcaster on the bridge of the frigate Ariadne crackled into life, a bell rang twice and then O'Rourke's voice came through, calm, modulated, precise and unmistakably Irish.

The author is elearly in fine fettle. Almost at nnce the Ariadne gets a Mayday signal from a sinking yacht, and a stricken American bomber falls into the sea two miles south of Cape Akrotiri. By page 24 the villains are on board. How do I guess that they're villains? Step forward Mr Andropulos — "He looked as if be hadn't shaved that morning but then, he would always look as if he hadn't shaved that morning"; and snaved that morning; and Alexander: "a tall man with a thin, unsmiling face and black, cold eyes"; and, finally, Aris-totle with his "watchful eyes and a serious expression." These glassy-eyed, stubbly-jowelled Greek johnnies are obviously fearful rotters, and what's more they come bear. what's more they come bearwhat's inore they come itealing the — marginal — sex interest. These are Irene ("wide green eyes") and Eugenia ("warm brown eyes"). Mr Maclean is one of English Literature's great eye

specialists. From now on however the book starts to flag. There are huge potential bangs on the ocean bed; a hrilliant overarrives to take over and some scientists join in. There's a lot of rather inane chatter, especially from the

By Jack Higgins Collins, £9.95 Admiral, who is given to 'nodding imperceptibly", and saying: "A suitably chastened Admiral sits before ynu. We live, we learn."

**SANTORINI** 

By Alistair Maclean

Collins, £9.95

NIGHT OF THE

**FOX** 

I sensed something was wrong hut couldn't quite put my finger on it until page 174 my finger on it until page 174
when suddenly it was 5.30am,
and the President of the
United States was "showing
every year of his age" in —
you've guessed it — the Oval
Office. Mereifully Mr
Maclean doesn't tell us about
the office furniture, but from
that memorate on I fall the book that moment on I felt the book was doomed.

Some readers, nntahly unreviewed thriller writers, complain that reviewers spend too much time on books they don't much like. They would rather read about books the reviewer enjoyed. Would, of course, that there were more such books. But failing them (and fail they usually do), one has a duty to devote some time and space to those books that W. Court and space to those books that W.H. Smith are going to feature most prominently in their windows. A major part of any self-respecting reviewer's task is to cast doubt on the judgement of such arbiters of popular taste as W.H. Smith

and Penguin books. Hence I mention Mr Higgins's latest work. Mr Higgins also starts with a map, but it is quickly clear that he is suffering from a nasty attack of Factoids. At the very beginning there is that tiny, but telltale, little disclaimer about how while, on the one hand the Germans bla bla bla, on the other "it must be stressed that this is a work of fiction" and bia bia hia. In addition to Factoids, Mr Higgins also has Jackboots on the Jacket, an unpleasant coodition that gets serious on page 31, when Hitler "almost danced with delight", and said: "A bad morning for General Eisen-

hower, gentlemen." The response to this is. " 'Good news indeed, my Führer,' Goebbels said, and delivered his usual high

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## Light Yorkshire Puddings

sun. It were too busy ingratiating itself with all them bigwigs

in the south?"

The Brandons are Yorkshire-based, and all the usual northern idiosyncrasies plus a few unfamiliar ones are presented with such a lack of sentimentality that the comeducoccionally trunk black as dy occasionally turns black, as in the burial of "Young Chocolate". The comic balance between Uncle Mort and Carter Brandon is perfect, the consummate double-act.

matic Carter Brandon, during the latter's week off work. The Anne Devlin had a succes d'estime carlier this year with takes them to the seaside, of course; hut also on a visit to Arthur Scargill's gay twin brother, to the W. Tidy Muse-um of Living Northern Life, to several pubs, and a funeral. her play, "Ourselves Alone In these stories, collected under the title The Way-Paver, she is using similar themes against the same back-ground of recent years in Belfast. She is not, however, a Centre stage is the aged Uncle Mort, with an endless polemical writer. Her preoccusupply of anecdotes and outrapation is with inner conflict, geous one-liners, a sort of intelligent Northern Alf Gar-nett, whose prejudice extends nsten manifested in dreams and suddenly recalled memoto everyone save himself. It is ries set against a harsh, natu-ralistie backdrop.

The stories are all written in on occasion reserved purely for the South of England,

the first person, and are in however: "The sun — the first person, and are in bloody thing, said Uncle Mort... It had no time for us an. They are questioning self-Mort... It had no time for us an. They are questioning, self- her young brother 20 years life rather unsuccessfully. By some life rather unsuccessfully and life rather unsucces

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FICTION

Gillian Greenwood

UNCLE MORT'S NORTH COUNTRY By Peter Tinniswood Pavilion, £7.95 THE WAY-PAVER By Anne Devlin Faber, £8.95. THE PIER

story from a certain objectivity (like that of a character in "Passages": The girl had a disconcerting habit of standing back and analysing her statements...thereby dismissing her own assumptions") towards a more intuitive knowledge of the futility of hoping for an answer.

A young woman lures a victim to his death on the Falls Road; annther recalls the unexplained disappearance of C.P. Snow's A Coat of Varnish is quite benign. An elderly author, Harold

Atha, becomes so irritated by by the smell of oranges; yet another, a Catholic, returns to Belfast to live with her Protestant boyfriend, only to be Atha, becomes so irritated by his squalid, modern, working-class neighbours that he at first plans a literary revenge on them, and then acts out his tant boyfriend, only to be hounded out. In each case the plot to massacre almost the past creates the future. Not entire family. There are moonly in an obvious historical sense, but through some fate-ful subconscious force by which the characters unwitments in the book when the which the characters unwittingly manoeuvre themselves.

Ms Devlin writes in a simply lyrical style simply lyrical style, some-times so simple that a touch of naivety decends on her prose. selfishness unredeemed by Her great strength is dialogue and character, which are seen nn is unacc Mr Heppenstall has encounto best effect in "Naming the tered the classic difficulty of Names", where a strong sense creating a character so unpleasant that it is difficult to

of place allows a bustling care about his predicament. street life to contrast well with the tortured, lonely stance of The prose is clearly written its dangerous narrator.

The Pier was Rayner by a craftsman, althnugh his "startling particularity of Heppenstall's last book. He observations" seems an end-less cataloguing of detail apdied in 1981 and has been described by C.P. Snow as propriate to the parrator, hut tedious to the reader, as is the narrator's snohbery, which borders on the offensive. Per-The master eccentric of English letters". It is interesting to note that C.P. Snow's last haps The Journals of Rayner Heppenstall, which are also novel was a splenetic murder story, in which he inculged an old man's irritation at modern published this week, will shed

inhabited by the great and the good. An infamous last blurb claims that with this book "the whole SF genre is rede-fined and enlarged." Not quite, not quite. But rarely have hardware and entertainment been so perfectly inter-locked in the literary genre that depends nn comhining business with pleasure. some light on this final Above our planet hangs a

hnllow Stone, vast as the imagination of Man. Spacetime expert Patricia Vasquez is sent to join the many scientists working there to try to discover its origins. Tardis-like, the inner dimensions are at odds with the outer; pyramid-like, there are chambers to be breached, some contain-ing deserted cities: one chamber goes on for ever. But the Stone is not an alien

Tomb

or mile

stone?

SCIENCE FICTION

Tom Hutchinson

EON

By Greg Bear

Gollancz, £10.95

This is a monumental

achievement. With only his

second science fiction the

anthor leaps into the realms

structure. It comes from the past/future of our humanity. Tumbstone or milestone, the war that breaks out nn the earth beneath its presence seems to bear witness to its

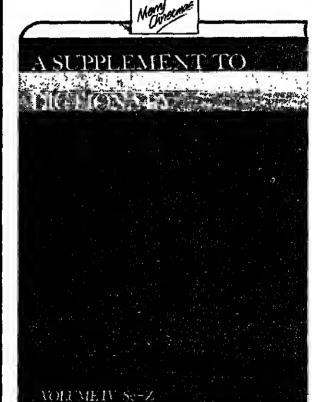
prowess as oracle. The concepts examined here are dizzying and complex: hut Mr Bear's grasp of his narrative is secure and commanding. We read nn, not least because the characters are never upstaged by ideas. It is a work of remarkable vision and total control. Arthur C. Clarke has his most formidable rival yet in the field of

Isaac Asimov's Choice (Hale, £10.95). Mr Clarke surfaces in this alarmingly joyous collection with his first short story for five years, "Quarantine" - it is also one of the shortest ever. Valued here, too, is a wonderful pastiche on Agatha Christie by Barry Malzberg, "The Several Murders Of Roger Ackroyd." Delight of many dimensions.

Best SF Of The Year, 15. edited by Terry Carr (Gollancz, £10.95). More sobersided tales, but of a most readable worth, especially as the book contains Robert Silverberg's haunting "Sailing To Byzantium" as well as the editor's timely comments on series-novels.

• The Venus Hunters, by J.G. Ballard (Gollancz, £8.95) A seance of wondrous hallucinations which first appeared in several paperbacks, here are gathered in a hardback of glimmering fantasy. My favourite: "Now: Zero". in which the author commands the reader's death. That's... not... very... funny... is...

# The complete present.



The final volume of the OED Supplement completes a 'work which will last longer and prove more influential than anything else published . . . this half-century' (The Times).

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# Snowy's last bark







Tintin chasing Snowy down the most influential strip cartoon of the century into art history

Hailed in France as a latterday Tibetan Book of the Dead. Tintin et l'Alph-Art, the album that Herge was working on when he died, is published at last. Although skeletal, it contains the germ of an exciting new theme, the relationship between words and pictures, which preoccupied Hergé throughout his life. Casterman have resisted the temptation to colour and extend the 42-page draft to Herge's tradi-tional 62. These are the preparatory sketches, with dialogue presented separately, complete with hesitations, corrections and marvellous ad hoc inventions. To read Alph-Art is to see the most influential European cartoonist of our century examining his astonishing art anew.

The breathless narrative centres on a gang of art forgers operating under cover of a phoney conceptualist gallery called Alph-Art. The whole album presents in parable a simultaneous attraction to and revulsion from the art to which Hergé was a significant contributor. Key exchanges focus on the pretensions of modern art, shown particular-ly in Captain Haddock's reluc-a villa on Ischia (where else?)

#### Martin Spence

L'ALPH-ART By Hergé Casterman, £25 THE COBRAS By Hergé Methuen, £4.95 THE TINTIN GAMES BOOK By Herge Methuen, £3.95

and discovered a horde of

Tintin is confronted at gampoint by their oily leader: "We are going to pour liquid polyester over you, you are to become a sculpture signed by Cesar and no one will ever know that this work of art is the last resting place of little Tintin." The ironies multiply.

Soviets and Tintin au Congo

in English?

TINTIN ET THE VALLEY OF

tant purchase of an enormous plexiglass sculpture in the shape of the letter H. There's a new view of women too, including the gallery secretary, a Nana Moskouri lookalike with a neat line in selfabasement, and a moving glimpse of Madame Laijot, the book-keeper with "25 years of slavery" in the gallery behind her. Snowy's brief encounter with Castaliore's poodle ends with a pointed rehuff. Chauvinists like Emir Ben Kalish are banished to the sidelines.

freshly minted Modiglianis, Picassos, and Gauguins,

Our last glimpse of Snowy is at the window of Tintin's cell; his last words, an encouraging Methuen, Hergés British publishers, are aiming about all over the place. Dimly

realizing the importance of the material they hold, they seem to be unsure of its market. They have misleadingly packaged The Valley of the Cobras, a Jo, Zette, and Jocko adven-ture from 1940, to look like a Tintin book. Some of the games in The Tintin Games Book are so facile it is hard to imagine them holding any child's attention. Others demand an impossibly intimate knowledge of the Tintin stories. Please Methuen, can we have Tintin au pays des



#### THE TIMES DIARY

#### Courting trouble

Liverpool City Council's cavalier attitude to its record of upheld complaints of maladministration (13 last year, all against the housing department) could land it before the courts. The latest report by Patricia Thomas, the ombuds-man for the north of England, for misleading her during her investigation into an upheld complaint about the non-completion of repairs. Rather than disciplining the miscreants and compensating the tenant, the housing committee chose merely to "note" the report. Ms Thomas has now written saying that obstructing an ombudsman can amount to the equivalent of contempt in the High Court. Her letter concludes with the warning that she is giving councillors a "final opportunity to put their own house in order".

 Another irritating thing about Liverpool's housing department: its switchboard plays you "Home Sweet Home" down the phone.

#### Horse's mouth

Who was responsible for certifying disgraced Morgan Grenfell dealer Geoffrey Collier as a fit and proper person to join the Stock Exchange? None other than Sir Kenneth Berrill, chairman of the City's new self-regulatory body, the Securities and Investment Board. Berrill used to be chairman of Vickers da Costa, for which Collier worked in New York, and was asked to give a reference as a previous employer. Brokers may remember that no-tice of Collier's moral propriety posted on the Stock Exchange floor earlier this year.

#### Motionless

Giovanni Spadolini, the Italian defence minister, grasped the wrong end of the stick when the Oxford Union wrote asking him to speak. Clearly believing the university was about to accord him some long-delayed honour, Spadolini enthusiastically replied, heaping praise on the city's proud history. When Union officials gently indicated that the invitation came from a bunch of penguin-suited students rather than Lord Stockton, the Chancellor, his interest cooled. Suddenly the pressure of affairs of state made the trip impossible.

#### Grime gripe

Appalled at the sight of a dirty Leyland truck on show at the recent Baghdad International Fair, Alan Clark, the Trade Minister, cast aside his image as castleresiding laird and started to clean the windows with his hankerchief. A veneer of desert dust was one thing but this was sheer filth, he thought. Embarrassed exhibitors restrained him before he could give the vehicle a real valeting. Clark left convinced that British exporters are losing custom by neglecting the finer points of



#### Bowing out

Though no decision has been officially taken about the fate of Commander Brian Sparks, the Notting Hill police chief alleged to have made racist remarks to fellow officers, police sources say he will take early retirement on medical grounds. Sparks has been on sick leave pending a decision on whether to charge him under the recently introduced racial discrimination clause in the Police Disciplinary Code. So far the clause has not been used.

• Joh ad for teachers: "Breat Education: come and join us. . a small, friendly and exciting borough. . ." Tell that to Maureen McGoldrick.

#### Festive hall

The late Geoffrey Horsfall, designer of London's Hayward Gallery, would have been heartened by the imminent arrival of 50 Christmas trees to adorn the adjacent Sculpture Terrace: one of his most fervent, though unfulfilled wishes was that the hard edges of the site should be softened by the presence of greenery. The trees are a festive gift from the much maligned Forestry Commission and are, somewhat ironically, the result of a suggestion (rejected) by the conservtion and arts group Common Ground that the Hayward should mount an exhibition related to the environment. This is good news for putative viewers of the current Rodin exhibition there, for it is so popular that they are having a mightily long wait outside and will surely welcome the verdure.

PHS effective Asian movement in the

Britain has not lost, but is in danger of losing, a great opportu-nity in Hong Kong. In ten years time our lease expires and the world's most successful economy, relative to its scale, will fall back upon mainland China. Docking the satellite with the mother ship is as nerve-wracking as any space mission and a lot more significant; for not only is China itself on the move but what seems now to be a relentless shift of wealth and power to the Pacific Basin will also gain momentum in the 1990s.

The shape of the 21st century has begun to appear, and Hong Kong, our most valuable legacy of the 19th century, offers a tremendous chance for us to feature prominently as well. I believe we will take the chance, but as usual we are leaving things very late.

There are only two ways in which China can realize its permanent, inbuilt ambition to return to the centre of the universe, or at least the Asian Pacific. One is to offer the Japanese participation on such a scale that it would amount, virtually, to economic coloniza-tion. That the Chinese will not do. Nor would the Japanese be enthusiastic since they owe their success to their fascinating ability to be Nippon-centric as a civilization though global in their approach to

The other way is for China to harness the energies of Hong Kong, as a free port and a world financial market. Effectively, that means making use of Hong Kong by leaving it alone. An analogy would be for the British govern-ment to finance its own industrial

There was just one moment which

caught fire in Neil Kinnock's sales

pitch on Labour defence policy at Harvard on Tuesday night. The audience held its breath and the

air crackled with something more

than the commonplaces of politi-

money spent on nuclear defence could be better used in other ways,

Kinnock pointed out that a

\$15,000 TOW missile could de-

stroy a \$3 million tank and a \$1.5

million Patriot anti-aircraft mis-sile could bring down a \$200 million strategic bomber.

Then, unscripted, he reminded

the andience of the Falklands war.

Included in the British task force

were some very modern warships, HMS Sheffield among them. That

ship cost £60 million. It was taken

out, wiped out, with the loss of

several hands in a split second by

an Exocet missile costing £250,000

delivered by an Argentine pilot

who had never seen one a month

before, from an obsolescent air-

craft, at a distance of 35

When people told him that failure to spend money on nuclear

arms was to neglect defence.

Kinnock went on, he told them

not to look at the crystal ball but at

the Book of Remembrance of

It was in its immediacy and its

starkness the perfect illustration of

Kinnock's theme that defence

thinking has been stuck in a rut

and that any future war will not be

fought as the last one was. That

episode in the Harvard speech

underlined several other points

about Kinnock's current mission

First, he is in deadly earnest.

The renunciation of nuclear weap

ons is at the core of his political be-

ing. He is not in the business of

trade-offs, or Dennis Healey-type

fudges to please a transatlantic audience. Second, he can now

swap weapons jargon and defence

spending figures with the best of them. He is tackling the subject in

detail which he has rarely devel-

the consequences of his convic-

tions. It is no use the Washington

Post thundering that if a Labour

government were to cast out nuc-

lear weapons America would have

to conclude that Britain had begun

to think of itself as a small country

like Denmark or New Zealand

That is precisely the status

Kinnock is prepared to accept

when be calls for a Britain rid of

the burdens of nostalgia and

delusions of grandeur and urges

on us a role as a "well developed,

well connected, medium-sized

power that makes its responsibil-

ities match its capacities to fulfil

The Conservative Party is going

through a testing time over a

power struggle between its Hindu

and Sikh supporters. The Foreign

Office is concerned, and the outcome could affect the Tories'

Asian vote at the next election.

The question arises: can the

Conservative Party cope with its

growing Asian organization, any more than it could tolerate the

activities of its eccentric student

wing? Indeed, the future of the

Anglo-Asian Conservative Society

is being discussed in terms similar

to those which led to the suspen-

sion of the Federation of Conser-

The students' row was an

adolescent tantrum compared

with the dangers of mishandling

the Asian Tories, among whom

there has been tension for some

months. This could come to a

head now that pressure is being exerted by the Foreign Office as

part of its acute sensitivity to indian government fears.

The Foreign Office fears that the

Conservative Party could be har-

bouring supporters of Sikh terror-

ists since the Sikhs have come to

dominate the Anglo-Asian Conservative Society. The very hint of such a possibility, has hrought the Conservatives to the point of disbanding the Asian Society. The National Union, the party's high conservation.

party's high command, is now holding discussions to decide the

A dilemma clearly exists: no

matter how much the National

Union may wish to bow to Foreign Office sensibilities, can it afford to deprive the party of an

vative Students.

His message is that the time of

Third, he is ready to face up to

oped on other issues.

those who died in the Falklands.

kilometers.

Warming to his theme that

New York

## Helping Hong Kong, and Britain as well

by Lord Gowrie

start-up schemes by allowing peo-ple to make more use of offshore centres such as Jersey or the Isle of Man where their own capital was concerned. The present leaders of China have acknowledged that that is what they need, and what

they want.

They may not bring if off; they may give way to leaders who hold different views or who face more difficult political circumstances. But it is exciting to think of the possibilities for the world, for Hong Kong, and for ourselves if they do. This has little to do with greed, the enterprise being to provide both grub and ethics. Civilization depends not on food and drink and shelter but on the surplus that liberates us from thinking only of these.

For most of this century the vorid has lost the benefit of China's ancient civilizing example, for Chinese internal political and economic developments have come first. That is changing and China is in a much more confident and outward-looking mood, with

Hong Kong to build upon that confidence. It is their window, not just to the developed world, but their own opportunity. There can be a Chinese sensibility, and Chinese works of art, for the world to share in again.

Japanese, American and Australian investment in Hong Kong has increased considerably this year, nervous British fund man-agers should take note. The government should also show. more confidence in the success of its own diplomacy which, after a shaky start, produced the Sino-British accord and the Queen's visit to Peking

The way to do this is to be more robust and generous over issuing British passports to the Hong Kong Chinese. They feel both insulted and abandoned through our parsimony; if we don't believe that Hong Kong will continue to

flourish, why should they?
We should imitate and extend
the US and Canadian methods and offer passports to those who

Kinnock could persuade his party, should Labour win the election, to spend the money he says it will on strengthening conventional de-

bank with us sufficient money to

support themselves, plus a measure of investment in the British economy. This last would not be restricted to paper investment but be contingent on the provision of five years sustained employment, at median small firm level, in a development area of Britisis.

The government would be ac-

cused of selling passports and violating equity. Neither case stands up and it should tackle both

head on. Increased investment can

get you a passport or a work permit now. (I used to administer the permits). We should be look-

ing, therefore, to a more liberal application of existing rules. As

our own economic self-confidence returns, we can only gain from being more liberal, and not only in

The objection that only wealthy Chinese would benefit is just as

easy to overcome. It is sensible to

restrict emigration to Britain until

it can be absorbed. Absorbing people from Hong Kong prepared to invest here would be no problem. In practice, emigration

would not occur. Once the safety

net of a British passport was underneath them, the wealth cre-

ators of Hong Kong would remain

there, commuting to Britain to attend to their business ohliga-

tions but otherwise getting on with

the job, confidence restored, of

giving mainlaind China its win-

Lord Gowrie was Minister of State, Department of Employment, 1979-81, and Minister for the Arts,

dow on the world.

C Times Newspe

respect of Hong Kong.

development area of Britain.

Dr Stephen Flanagan, director of a research centre in security affairs, said after the Harvard speech: "There must be doubts speech: "There must be doubts
that a Labour government would
stick to what it says on conventional spending. Past Labour
governments have tended to have
different spending priorities."

Americans are alarmed at the
speed with which Kinnock says he
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will make the policy switch.
Russell Scitz, a visiting scholar at
Harvard's Centre for International Affairs, said: "You cannot restore conventional parity in Europe in six years. Removal of nuclear weapons and bases in Britain within 12 months as promised would be dangerous and destabilizing."

American audiences cannot dis-

cern an effective answer from Kinnock to the potential nuclear blackmail of a Europe shorn of nuclear defences. They cannot understand how a country that has been not just a member but a pillar of Nato could be willing to wreck the whole Alliance strategy. They don't see us yet as another Denmark.

The Harvard speech was delivered to a typical East Coast liberal audience. But the sympathy for Labour's position was strictly limited even there. Many predicted that it would play into the hands of American isolationists. In seeking to portray the US as thirsting for arms reductions and Mrs Thatcher as a belligerent opponent of any cuts, Kinnock has misjudged post-Reykjavik American opinion. Much of it is still aghast at what Reagan nearly gave away.

But all tended to agree with Dr Richard Haass of the Kennedy School of Government - who is a Republican - that whatever they thought of Kinnock's views "he is very articulate and very committed. What he has done is to clear up doubts about what his views

really were." Kinnock's mission has been brave and honest. But he has not stilled American resentment of those who seek to dine a la carte at the Nato table. And he has intensified the transatlantic division identified by Sir Oliver Wright, the former British ambassador to Washington into Wimps and Cowboys. The Americans, being strong, do not fear the use of power to solve problems and are typed as cowboys by fastidious Europeans. The Europeans, being

Robin Oakley, Political Editor, reports on Neil Kinnock's uphill struggle in

selling Labour's non-nuclear defence policy

## Brave, sincere - but the US is unconvinced



Kinnock at Harvard: a respectful hearing despite his misjudgement of America's post-Reykjavik mood

choice has come, that we can no longer afford to be a nuclear power and to make an adequate conventional force contribution to Nato, and that we must choose second-class status. It is in itself a brave risk to take with the British electorate.

Kinnock's Harvard speech, shorn of gimmickry, delivered with none of his party conference braggadocio, earns him the right to be taken seriously on defence. All the evidence suggests that he will lose the debate he has begun. But it is doing the current state of . politics no harm to have him remind us that the world has moved on since the atomic bomh was invented.

He has been unlucky in the timing of his mission to America. Mayor Andrew Young did him no favours with a badly attended meeting in Atlanta. The self-obsessed American media has ignored him at a time when the Iran arms affair crowds out all else. He has had no chance to reach the people, only to sow a few thoughts among a tiny minority of the political intelligentsia. But he has spelled out openly to those who care to listen precisely what a Labour government would do about US bases and weapons.

Kinnock has won respect for his verbal felicity and for his sincerity. As he admits himself, Americans tend to listen to his message and find to their surprise that they can buy a slice or two, but emphatically not the whole loaf. They simply do not believe that

less powerful, seek ways to live with problems and are scorned by Americans as wimps.
The normally macho Kinnock is beloing to have Britain identified with the wimps.

## Asian dilemma for the Tories

run-up to a general election? The Asian vote is important in a number of seats, not least Roy Hattersley's - Sparkbrook, Bir-mingham - where the Tory candidate is Asian.

The Anglo-Asian Conservative Society was set up ten years ago specifically to court the Asian vote. It has attracted businessmen, doctors and lawyers. Its guiding light in the early years was Narindar Saroop, who fought Greenwich in 1979. Under him the society established a hridge between the Asian community and local Conservative associations. By 1983 it had 1,000 members in 14 hranches.

But then the internal wrangling began. Saroop gave way to another Hindu, Jay Gohel, as chairman. Then in 1985 Saroop deposed Gohel hy enlisting the aid of the Sikhs: so many Sikhs turned np that the meeting had to be moved from a room in Conservative Central Office to the car park underneath. It became knowo as the Car Park Coup.

The reinstated Saroop brought in a priminent Sikh, Professor Mohinder Paul Bedi, a child psychologist, as deputy chairman. This year, Saroop was challenged by Bedi at an acrimnnious annual meeting in the Victoria Hotel. Once again it was packed with Sikhs. After some bitter exchanges Bedi was elected chairman with a Muslim, Mohammed Shariff, as his deputy. The infiltration of the Sikhs has

had two consequences. First, it has changed the character of the Asian society, most of whose members were professional people or wealthy businessmen. The Sikhs are less sophisticated, and their arrival means there is now something like a mass membership of 8,000 with their own internal factions. It is this that Central Office finds unfamiliar and fears it cannot control.

cannot control.

Second, there is the anxiety aroused in the Foreign Office, which suspects Bedi of being sympathetic to Sikh terrorists, and which has been wary ever since the assassination of Indira Gandhi. Her son Rajiv has given the Foreign Office a bad time because he believes Britain to be too soft with Sikh extremists. In fact Bedi is a strong supporter of the law and ister, whom he has known for some years, and who sent personal greetings to his daughter when she

Unfortunately, Bedi's wife, Mrs Kuldip Kaur, is in a Delhi jail as a ing a relative's funeral and was about to return to her home in

London when a copy of a British Punjabi-language paper which re-produced Mrs Thatcher's greeting was taken from her. On the reverse was an advertisement for a Sikh rally. She had also arranged through the High Commission to deliver a parcel of clothes to a Sikh friend in jail on terrorist charges. Professor Bedi told me yes-

terday: "It will be suicidal if, through pressure from some quarters, an attempt is made to abandon the Anglo-Asian Conservative Society, or to change its shape and form at a time when we are so close to a general election. We are not involved with the politics of the Indian subcontinent. I can assure the Foreign Office and the Indian government that the Anglo-Asian Society is in no way linked with any extremist or terrorist organization and under my chairmanship it will never be used as a platform to propagate any other ideals but Conservatism."

Given the twin pressures of a nervous Foreign Office and the rivalry between Hindus and Sikhs, the Tory chiefs hardly know where to turn. Their inclination is to dissolve the Asian Society and

Others say Central Office should be less faint-hearted and must accept the challenge by setting out to broaden its Asian movement beyond the London temples and mosques for recognized and respected figures who could swing the Asian vote the

> John Warden Times Newspapers, 1986.

#### **Ronald Butt**

## Only one way to a new accord

Last month Senator Gary Hart Democrat and possible presidential candidate) and Senator William Cohen (Republican) spoke side by side at a dinner given for them in London. They then answered questions alternately. Their performance delighted their audience, which was largely from the City, not only because they spoke with style and reason but because they did not conceal the substratum of shared assumptions

underlying their thinking.
On some matters, of course, their opinions differed. On taxation in America, for instance, Senator Hart had a preference for indirect taxes over direct taxes, partly for protectionist reasons (he thought that it made sense for an America which imported half its oil to tax oil imports). Senator Cohen plainly did not share these opinions. But on the fundamentals of policy there was remarkable agreement. The audience was left in no doubt, for instance, that no Democratic would abandon the president Strategic Defence Initiative. Whatever adjustment might be made, funding and research would

continue. Every American, they said, is for strong defence, which is something that Neil Kinnock simply cannot understand. Whenever the senators sang a different melodic ine it was but always contra-puntally, and therefore fund-amentality in harmony. If only (said nearly everyone I spoke to) we could have that kind of moderate and constructive politics in Britain, instead of our destructive confrontation of op-

Yet there were some whose warm approval seemed to misunderstand the lesson to be drawn from this manifestation of the contrast between American and British politics. In a speech of thanks, Christopher Patten, Minister for Overseas Aid, and a renowned moderate, or Wet, observed with evident relief that it all went to show that there was no seismic shift to the right after all, either in the US or Britain. Most people, he thought, were "middle of the road and rather sensible" which, though true enough in everyday life, seemed to carry a different implication given Patten's known scepticism about Thatcherite policies

But a seismic shift to the right was precisely what has been necessary in Britain to bring the political centre back to a position which genuinely reflects public feeling and makes consensus politics of the Hart-Cohen kind possible. If Britain now has a chance of a new moderate consensus, it is only because Mrs Thatcher has acted decisively enough to put a stop to the drift of the centre to the left which had gone on for several decades as other parties had been pressured into accepting criteria prescribed by socialism.

The unbridgeable gap between

socialism and the acceptable politics of consensus in a free society has been exposed. A new political consensus reflecting what the nation wants is essential. The Tories must eventually alternate in power with another party which is not Labour. If Mrs Thatcher achieves anything durable it will be because we now establish a political party structure resem-hling the American. This has nothing to do with our different constitutions. We need not envy

better and in many ways is worse than ours. We could not have had a Watergate here. Nixon would have been stopped well before he

fell into that mire. Nor would it be possible for a British prime minister to be as embarrassed as President Reagan now is over arms sales to Iran and the use of the money. Ministerial and Cabinet responsibility would have prevented it. The current British difficulties over the attempt to prevent publication of the Peter Wright memoirs is of a wholly different order, they arise not from the system but from a political failure to foresee that the attempt, though fully justified in terms of national security, might be counter-productive.

What we have to envy the Americans for is not their constitution but the fact that their party politics work on a basis of fundamental agreement about the nature of American society representing what the mass of the people want. There is no body of American opinion of any size which is inimical to a free economic society, or which wishes to subordinate individual responsibility to state direction; or is hostile to profit and private ownership, or wishes to impose

'equality" by state direction. All the evidence here too is that the great majority does not want socialism and does want a free society with recognized social obligations. But the British were stuck with a socialist alternative by the twist of industrial history. This led the trade unions to send to Parliament their own party which, being responsible more to caucuses and block votes than to the broad opinion of the electors,

was manipulable by extremists. Social stability depends on restoring the position to what it used to be when Conservatives and the old Liberal Party (like Republicans and Democrats) operated within a consensus about the desired nature of society which might have been re-created if Labour had been reformed as Gaitskell had hoped. That hope of a social democratic alternative to the Tories can now be achieved only by another Labour defeat, A third rejection of a party whose fundamental extremism is daily shown up hy its leaders' incoherent attempts to conceal it could give the Social Democratic Party the opportunity to take its place. which was the original reason for the SDP's formation.

But a Labour victory could destroy the SDP, while the dangers of a hung parliament would be hardly less. If it resulted in an Alliance coalition with Labour it would make a mockery of the Social Democrats' secession. If, on the other hand, the Alliance were obliged to enter a coalition with the Tories that could irrevocably taint the SDP in the eyes of electors who still vote relucantly for Labour's brand name as representing their class image because they cannot bring themvatives can do so.

A new consensus requires a third defeat of a Labour Party which has ceased to represent its natural constituency. But hreaking the spell of Labour's brand name and founding a free society consensus would have been out of the question but for the years of Thatcherism, and a seismic shift away from the left.

#### **Joseph Connolly**

## The callers who don't ring true

days very few telephone calls are misrouted as a result of defects in the system - the problem's pretty well licked; over human error, of course, they regret they have no control. But what I should like to know is why the few that do manage to slip through the net join forces with every errant human in the land to ensure that my phone is a-jangle day and night, forcing me to squander hours exchanging meaningless banter with an unbroken chain of complete and utter strangers. The only common bond among them is that they all wish to speak to someone else.

I am speaking of the deranged people who never bother to put on their glasses to make a call and lose their index fingers in a hlur as they approach the dial. They can get quite annoyed with you for being a wrong number and think little of wasting yet more of your time by subjecting you to a detailed interrogation as to your number, your address, your blood

Normally I just hang up, but the other morning I received a call from a grumpy old gentleman whose bovine stupidity and tenacity near broke my spirii. His opening volley: "Who the devil are you?"

"None of your concern. Whom did you want? "Just get Sheila on the phone, will you?"

"No. There is no Sheila. You have a wrong number." "What do you mean there's no

Sheila? She's my daughter."
"Sheila doesn't live here. Wrong number wrong number wrong number. "What?"

"You have the wrong number." "I have not got the wrong number. I dialled the right number. Are you suggesting I don't even know my daughter's tele-phone number? You are on the wrong phone."

on. It is in my house; that is where I keep it. I am holding it at this very minute — the phone is here. Sheila isn't."

"Has she gone out, then?" "I don't know whether she's gone out or not. I have nothing to do with Sheila. We have never "Don't give me that one. If you

don't know Sheila, how come you're round at her place, then?" "Look Let's start again. What number do you want?" "0832 5146." But ... that's my number."

That's Sheila's number. When will she be back?" "She won't ... What I mean

"Won't? What do you mean, anything to her, have you? What are you - a masked intruder? You sound a hit evil, if you want the "Sheila's not here! I don't know

when she'll be back. What am I saying?! I don't even know if she's gone out! She won't be back because she never went away .. That is . . . "So you haven't molested her.

or anything? Of course. I've only got your word."

"I have never even seen the woman!"

"Well ... just put her on the line to set my mind at rest." You are mad. I am going

Oh yes? Well it just so happens I have to go myself now because I've got to call the vei - hui if 

And now his voice rose in triumph, as he played the trump: You can't get out of it as easily as that. If it's a wrong number - if. mind - how dn you explain your bloody well answering it? Hey? I have to lie down now. Don't

try phoning - it's off the hook.

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## DEBATE ON DETERRENCE

Mr Neil Kinnock in the United States and M. Jacques Chirac in Paris made speeches this week taking different sides on the question of nuclear deterrence as the basis of Western defence. In doing so, they became part of an established trend. For deterrence, which was generally accepted as the basis of NATO defence strategy until recently, is now becoming a topic of controversy in a transatlantic debate on the fundamentals of defence policy.

It is a debate which has produced bizarre coalitions: President Reagan's policy of phasing out strategic nuclear weapons over ten years enjoys greater support from Mr Kinnock and the "peace" movement than from Mrs Thatcher and conservative governments in Western Europe which privately regard it as utopian.

It also produces some uncomfortably inconsistent postures. Opponents of deterrence, for instance, have traditionally been in favour of lower defence spending overail. But they now find themselves advocating alternatives such as an improvement in conventional defences, as Mr Kinnock did yesterday at Harvard, which would require higher spending in total - or would do so if it was to provide conventional forces with anything like the same power to deter as nuclear weapons possess.

This present bout of scepticism about deterrence seems, at first glance, to have begun not on the anti-nuclear left, but in the White House itself with President Reagan's "Star Wars" speech. And it is true,

Strategic Defence Initiative, in its most ambitious version, would render deterrence unnecessary since it would provide a perfect defence against a nuclear first strike. But no one, not even SDI's fiercest partisan, Mr Reagan, believes that a perfect strategic defence is on the horizon.

For the next thirty or forty years, the best that even a successful defence could achieve would be to protect America's retaliatory capacity. Soviet nuclear planners, considering a first-strike attack, might know that some of their missiles would penetrate the defences but not which ones. They would not therefore be able to risk a first strike since the imperfect "leaky" defence would mean that enough US missiles would survive to mount a secondstrike.

Such a limited SDI, however, would not replace deterrence. It would allow it to operate at lower levels of nuclear weapons, without reliance upon risky "launch on warning" strategies, and with some protection against either accidental war or attacks by small "crazy" states with nuclear capacity. In all these ways, the SDI would actually enhance deterrence.

But NATO's reliance upon deterrence was called into more serious doubt by the Reykjavik summit and subsequently by President Reagan's meeting with Mrs Thatcher. The proposals discussed at Reykjavik included not only "deep cuts" of 50 per cent in strategic nuclear stockpiles over ten years - the strategic effect of which would also be to maintain deterrence indeed tautologous, that the at lower levels - but also the

zero-zero option that would remove intermediate-range missiles on both sides, and even utopian ideas of doing away with strategic missiles altogether.

Reykjavik has, in fact, changed nothing because agreement was not reached. Mr Reagan also qualified these ideas in his meeting with the Prime Minister at Camp David by agreeing to conditions such as reducing conventional force levels in Europe before removing American missiles.

But that such proposals should even be raised has alarmed Western European governments. Not without reason, they fear a move away from deterrence and a lessening of the automatic character of America's nuclear commitment to defend Europe. Such developments would expose NATO to the Warsaw Pact's overwhelming conventional superiority.

Reluctant to criticise such proposals - the British Government, for instance, publicly supports the zero-zero option - European governments hint at their concern by making delphic references to the importance of deterrence. M. Chirac, for instance, declared yesterday that "nuclear deterrence remains the only effective way of preventing war in Europe.

Mr Kinnock, by contrast, welcomes this trend. He wants a NATO strategy that would renounce nuclear weapons altogether. But building larger conventional forces offers no escape from the nuclear dilemma as long as Soviet forces retain nuclear weapons at any level

#### THE JUSTICE OF SECOND THOUGHTS

For the second time in two months cause for anxiety has surfaced concerning convictions for serious terrorist offences. The trials of the Guildford Four and the Maguire family attracted public debate in October. In the light of substantial though circumstantial grounds for questioning the justice of the outcome, there were calls to the Home Secretary for a thorough review. Now a similar issue has arisen concerning the convictions of the so-called Birmingham Bombers.

This time there is new evidence of a more specific kind, such as would certainly have been put before the jury at the original trial had it been available to the defence: namely, the allegation by a police officer that severe intimidation was used to extract the confessions which later became the prosecution's strongest point. Because this new evidence is prima facie admissible the Home Secretary's task is somewhat easier in the Birmingham case. It would make sense for him to use his discretion to refer it to the Court of Appeal, which in turn could quash a conviction or order a new jury trial in the light of the new evidence.

The Guildford-Maguire cases are less amenable to such normal judicial processes, which suggests that there the Home Secretary might need to look for less regular remedies to satisfy the cause of justice.

It is formitous that these two separate matters have come to light at more or less the same time. They are a timely reminder of the enormous strain that serious organized terrorist attacks can place not just on the police in the first instance, but on the integrity of the judicial process itself. That is no accident. Terrorism is aimed not just at specific targets but at undermining the institutions of civilized soci-

The Home Secretary will not need to be reminded, for instance, that the sinister general purposes of the IRA would be as well served by the wrongful release of guilty men as by a widespread public feeling that the innocent were being wrongfully punished. His prime duty in both cases will be to uphold public faith in the due process of detection, prosecution, and conviction: but this must not mean that previous flawed decisions need be obstinately defended simply in the name of public confidence.

Justice requires not just that the innocent should go free. It also requires that the guilty should be caught and punished. If the defendants in the Guildford-Maguire case, or the Birmingham pub bombing, were innocent others may be still at large who were the true

**SENOR FRAGA BOWS OUT** 

One unexpectedly swift result of Sunday's confused Basque general elections has been the resignation of Senor Manuel Fraga, until now the leader of the country's conservative opposition and a major figure in Spain's peaceful transition to democracy. It was further evidence of how Spain's Basque region, troubled hy ETA terrorism and economic decline, can affect the country's whole political scene. It also illustrates the decline of the centre-right as a political force in Spain today. Senor Fraga's Popular Alli-

ance Party lost five of the seven seats it had held in the 75-member Basque regional parliament. This was the latest in a series of election defeats suffered by his party and it made many on Spain's democratic right - which is still seeking a stable identity decide that Fraga had become

a certain loser. There has been evidence for some time that the Spanish right faces fundamental problems. Senor Fraga has been unable to challenge the Socialist government of Senor Gonzalez who has manoeuvred steadily to occupy the middle ground of Spanish politics. He failed to prevent the Socialists winning a second four years in power at last June's general

election, and this failure was compounded in the Basque region at the weekend.

Senor Fraga's unconvincing call on the right to abstain in Spain's referendum on NATO membership earlier this year upset many of the Popular Alliance's "sister" parties in Europe. At home, Spain's influential private bankers had also sensed Fraga's limitations in attracting Spain's younger middle-class voters and planned to finance a moderate centre-right party led by a more genuinely Europeanstyle conservative leader, Senor Miquel Roca. However. their plans came to nothing, partly because the Socialists had by now fully occupied the

centre ground of politics. The defeat for Senor Fraga's party in the Basque elections was not only a reflection of the problems facing the Spanish right under his leadership, however. It also reflected his misunderstanding of the special character of the Basque region. Each time the Basque separatist organization ETA staged a crime, Senor Fraga told the Socialists to invoke drastic powers reminiscent of the Franco era. At the same time he assured his own supporters that if he had charge of the Interior Ministry (as he did briefly after Franco's gross injustice.

· Yet, unfortunately, there is a strong and wholly understandable tendency for the police to regard a case as closed once a conviction has been obtained. Is there not scope here for a specialist police enquiry team whose specific purpose would be to investigate all possibilities of miscarried justice, a role which is presently performed rather less satisfactorily by the media and by private agencies?

culprits. That too would be a

The other element in both cases is that the police investigations and trials were conducted against a background of intense public feelings of outrage, anger or even panic, to which neither the police nor a jury could be expected to be entirely immune. In such circumstances the police are under enormous pressure to make arrests, and to secure convictions. Juries might be more likely to convict than they normally would.

Perhaps, after more than a decade of sporadic mainland terrorist attacks, this is less a factor than it was when they began. Public opinion is calmer. It is a better climate, therefore, in which to conduct an honest appraisal of any doubtful cases tried at that time, in order to confirm that justice really was done then: and, if not, to do it now.

death), Basque terrorism "would be over within six months". Basques do not forget such remarks.

The one clear message from the Basque elections at the weekend was that a majority of Basques still want more home rule. This is despite the awesome difficulties which the badly fractured new parliament faces about how to exercise the region's existing degree of autonomy.

The problem facing Fraga's successor is how to attract the staunchly nationalistic but socially moderate forces in regions like the Basque country and Catalonia. Perhaps a new generation of politicians can accept a fundamental truth encapsulated in a saying coined when Senor Fraga was presiding over his country's first mass tourism boom: "Spain is different" - different in its regions.

If they were able to grasp this, they might then proceed to knit together a nationwide alliance attractive to all who want to break the centralizing grasp of the Socialists. Thus far, however, politicians of the calibre to initiate such a process are, to Senor Gonzalez's good fortune, not yet visible - even in the wings. | eral with both sides.

Aids: moral and educational failings From Mr John Stokes, MP for was assumed that the Govern-Halesowen and Stourbridge ment would have learnt a valuable

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(Conservative)
Sir, The terrifying fact of the rapid spread of the disease Aids and the lesson from this experience. At a meeting of the Wessex RHA health promotion steering accompanying huge Government advertising effort to warn everycommittee the afternoon of November 19, at which a regional one of its dangers have suddenly strategy for Aids prevention was put the spotlight on sexual moraldiscussed, members had not the ity. After years and years of the permissive society with its wholebenefit of knowing what Government initiatives were being sale casual sexual relationships planned, although telephone enquiries had been made to the DHSS as recently as that morning. once more one hears mention of chastity and fidelity in marriage,

isations on the British model.

The Secretary of State's

announcement of the scrapping of

the present HEC, with the in-evitable disorientation of staff who have pioneered such innova-

tions, is ill-timed. This is certainly

an opportunity for planned invest-

ment in HEC for Aids prevention,

but hardly the occasion to recon-stitute a body whose concentrated

efforts are needed now. It is noon

the HEC which, with the regional

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real task of combating and overcoming the problem will rest and whose indispensable work will still be continuing long after the last full-page advertisement and leaflet drop have been forgot-

It is to be hoped that the

so. The country cannot afford a

The University of Southampton,

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officials from the Urban Housing Renewal Unit, but they were

unwilling to fund repairs to these

properties as they insisted that

they could only fund works to

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Yours faithfully

GEORGE CAMPBELL

Department of Education,

Southampton, Hampshire,

Two days later the Secretary of But are not these Christian State presented his plans to the virtues? Have we heard them extolled by the bishops, the annual Commons. Today, November 23, advertisements have appeared in Synod, or the clergy from their the Sunday papers. So much for pulpits? I think not. The doctrine the vital RHA consultation which was too hard to preach to a selfis so urgently needed for a concerted drive on the problem.

indulgent society. The Pope and the Church of Rome certainly have condemned The other partner, the HEC, is the one national health education birth control, perhaps somewhat narrowly, and they have extolled Christian marriage, but I have not agency with the organisation to reach all communities where the real work of education about Aids will have to be done. It has a heard much condemnation of fornication and adultery from any sound record of promoting health of the churches. strategies that are now bearing Are these sins to be left to the fruit in all parts of the country, and which in the long term are calculated to create a healthier

Government to deal with, or will the churches now jump on the bandwagon while the times are propitious? Have these basic and essential

etc. etc.

Christian doctrines been taught in our homes, schools, colleges and universities as they were, for instance, when I was a boy sixty years ago? Do they form part of sermons which we hear on radio and television? Or are some of the clergy more keen on more fashionable subjects such as the condition of the universities, the nuclear deterrent, South Africa, racialism

Perhaps we need a new John the Baptist to make our paths straight.
Yours faithfully JOHN STOKES, House of Commons.

December 2

From Mr G. F. Campbell Sir, While the Secretary of State for the Social Services is to be congratulated on his Aids initiative (report, November 22), some of his proposals raise a sense of unease. Two essential partners in any enterprise of this magnitude are the Health Education Council and the regional health anthorities. In the unsuccessful Aids campaign conducted by the Government earlier this year, it was apparent that neither the HEC nor the RHAs were consulted. It

Brent's housing aid From the Director of Housing and Environmental Services, London Borough of Brent

Sir, Far from spurning the assistance offered by the Urban Hous-ing Renewal Unit, as stated by Mr John Patten, Minister for Hous-ing, at the "Building Communities" conference (report, November 29), the London Borough of Brent has received approval for schemes on its major estates to a value of £2.5m this financial year. This is probably the largest allocation made to any local authority in England and Wales.

I cannot therefore comprehend how Mr Patten can infer that the London Borough of Brent has ignored Government help to assist the homeless on grounds of "political posturing". Far from "political posturing", Brent Council has been developing new initiatives which include measures such as providing financial assistance to existing tenants to move out of their council properties and purchase a home in the private sector, a scheme which has been copied by a number of other local authorities.

Brent Council has also led the way with private leasing schemes which involve leasing vacant properties in the private sector for use as temporary accommodation. These initiatives and the other housing policies in the borough reflect its pragmatic approach. Mr Patten's reference to Brent

tion to UHRU for dealing with homelessness may refer to a specific offer made to a number of councils some months ago. This offer was that UHRU might fund work to void properties on large housing estates in order to bring them back into use and thereby assist the homeless, many of whom are languishing in bed-and-breakfast hotels all over London

However, in Brent the main problem does not relate to empty properties on our major estates, but to empty isolated properties,

#### Instant switch-off? From the Director General of the Royal National Institute for the

Sir, Mrs Thomas asks (December 1) whether there would be a single complaint if all station announcements stopped.

The answer is an emphatic "yes" - from all those visually handicapped travellers who can-

Yours faithfully, IAN BRUCE. Director General Royal National Institute for the 224 Great Portland Street, W1. December 1.

#### A divided island

Sir. Your leader of November 24 attempts mistakenly to lay the blame for the Cyprus problem equally upon the two communities in Cyprus. May I comment? The acceptance by the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus of

the two UN plans for a settlement had the wholehearted support of our people even though they were compromises. We remain ready to accept the 1986 plan, but we cannot wait for ever. The "second" (1985) UN docu-

ment which, in an attempt to even the blame, you say we rejected, Cypriot forces. was not negotiated with us at all. The 1984 and 1986 plans had been negotiated by the Secretary Gen-

population. HEC has also given a lead to other countries who have ment established their own organ-

Unless the Chinese walls of Westminster and Whitehall are more effective than those of the City, is there any assurance that information given or sold to a political party will not enter the files of one or more Government departments or those of dangerous and irresponsible sub-groups of political parties, at the extremes of left and right?

of that information. Yours faithfully. S. GLOVER 3 Albemarie Villas,

Plymouth, Devon. November 26.

Government will realise the need to harness all resources and especially at regional and local levels and waste no more time in doing

Riddlesdown High School the first school to do so. Yours faithfully, BERNARD GOSS, Headmaster,

Riddlesdown High School, Honister Heights,

properties on estates. If Mr Patten is committed to helping the borough solve its homelessness problem he could assist by allowing the UHRU to fund major repairs to off-estate properties, rather than suggest that we sell them, which is the usual response. Yours sincerely

MICHAEL WILSON, Director of Housing and Environmental Services. London Borough of Brent, 356-368 High Road, Wembley, Middlesex.

#### Size of councils

From Mr Eivind K. Gilje Sir. Not one of the six largest councils in London (with a total of one quarter of London's electorate) was mentioned in your front page report (November 20) on the proposal to split up the giant councils. It is of course no coincidence that five of these are Conservative controlled and the sixth, Faling, was Conservative controlled until the last elections.

Have we not in the last couple of vears had enough local government reorganization through the Houses of Parliament rather than

through the electorate? Of the Brent electors, who now seem to be the poor losers, only 44 per cent turned up to the polling booths when they had the democratic opportunity. Other London boroughs did much better and the best of all, Richmond upon Thames, polled 60 per cent.

Richmond is the only Alliance controlled borough in London and the only London borough with no Labour councillors and therefore no "loony left". Yours faithfully.

EIVIND GILJE 32 Grove Road, Barnes, SW13.

not see station signs. So BR, British Airports Authority, London Underground and all the rest, please keep up the good work.

#### You correctly point out that it was the armed attack by Greece upon Cyprus in 1974 which From Mr Rauf Denktas brought the Turkish army to the

island. If Turkey had not come to our rescue Cyprus would have been annexed to Greece. We do not like the militarisation of our island and would have preferred it if Greek Cypriots had been willing to operate the 1960 Constitution, which was destroyed in 1963.

The number of Turkish troops is conditioned not only by the fact that we are outnumbered four to one by Greek Cypriots but also by the number of mainland Greek troops and ever-increasing Greek

Britain refuses to deal with us on an equal footing with the Greek Cypriots. Britain handed over the sovereignty of the island to two

#### Personal data on sale to parties

From Mr R. S. Glover Sir, In April of this year I received a letter from Mr Kinnock, asking me to sponsor the Labour Party; in a postscript he said that he knew nothing about me "apart from your name and address and the type of product or service you have purchased in the past". In response to my protest, the publishing and marketing man-ager of the Labour Party denied holding such information but, after a lengthy and mostly onesided correspondence, he has re-cently revealed that my name came from a list of members of Countdown, a discount club.

This raises a principle of some importance. There is no effective information barrier between a political party and an actual or potential Government, in spite of recent arguments to the contrary. It seems, therefore, that a private citizen's use or membership of clubs, mail-order houses, professional associations, investment advisers, lobby groups and, perhaps, even rival political parties may well become known to the present or some future Govern-

Under the legislation on data protection it would be relatively easy to make it an offence to sell or give to a political party any address or other personal data without the consent of the subject

#### Breakfast in school

From the Headmaster of Sir, I was delighted to read (report, November 25) that Garth Hill Comprehensive School has now commenced serving breakfasts to pupils. However, the caterer at this school has been serving breakfasts for about five years now - daily from 7.45 until 8.30. I do not necessarily assume we were

Purley, Surrey. November 28.

Sir, Breakfast in school (report, November 25) is no novelty. In West Hartlepool during 1908 the local Charity Organisation Society subsidized the provision of free school breakfasts to needy scholars - under the aegis of the education committee's school canteen sub-committee and authorized by the 1906 Education (Provision of Meals) Act.

By January, 1902, a daily average of 1,433 children breakfasted on "a brown roll (602), current bun (3oz) and tea for each child, upon the five school days of the week". Later, "The question of continuing the current bun was discussed. A suggestion to add a few more currants was agreed to."

The scheme persisted up to and beyond the 1912 coal strike indeed, the education committee still provided 662 ehildren with free breakfast in 1922. Some of your readers may recall

partaking of such fare. Yours faithfully ALAN KLOTTRUP. S1 Chad's College, Durham. November 27.

E. Bender

#### Consumption of fat From Professor Emeritus Arnold

Sir, Mrs Currie may have been forgiven her earlier statement that the northerners eat badly (too much fat) when she had been in office only a few days. She should by now have had time to read the National Food Survey where the fat intakes (household purchases) of various regions of the country are reported (1984 report).

If one believes in decimal points the northerners eat slightly better in terms of fat than the southerners: Scotland 41.3 per cent, northerners 43.2 per cent, northwest (her original target) 43.1 per cent - all less than the "healthy southerners at 44 per cent. Yours faithfully A. E. BENDER

2 Willow Vale. Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey. December 1.

sides but sees no objection in treating the Greek Cypriot side as "the legitimate Government". Greek Cypriots prefer to keep this title rather than establish a

partnership government with us.

The Greek Cypriots have no incentive to reach a settlement as long as Britain recognises them as the Government of the whole of Cyprus and they get all the aid and international trade. If Britain really wants a settlement she should indicate that these advantages may be withdrawn if the UN plan is not accepted.

Yours faithfully, RAUF R. DENKTAS (President, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus). c/o 28 Cockspur Street, SW1.

November 25.

#### ON THIS DAY

**DECEMBER 4 19t6** 

The political crisis which led to the resignation of Asquith as Prime Minister and his eplacement by Lloyd George was described in a leading article as the turning point of the war. Written by the editor, Geoffrey Dawson, it was the climax in a Dausson, it was the cumat in a campaign for a smaller, more positive, war council under Lloyd George. Asquith resigned the following day, but Dawson later denied that the leader was ispired by someone else, and said it never occurred to him that he was giving away information not known to a considerable inner

#### Reconstruction An official statement, issued at a

circle.

late bour last night announces that "the PRIME MINISTER, with a view to the most effective prosecution of the war, has decided to advise HIS MAJESTY the KING to consent to a reconstruction of the Government." It is not altogether a surprising decision to those who have followed the course of events during the last three days. Out of a welter of political specula tion — some of it calculated, some of it merely misinformed — certain definite facts were already begin-ning to emerge. The first is that Mr. LLOYD GEORGE has finally taken his stand against the presen cumbrous methods of directing the var. The second is that he has an atternative scheme of his own which is not without support among his colleagues. The third is that we are at last within measurable distance of the small War Council, or super-Cabinet for war purposes, which has been steadily ressed in these columns for the ast year and a half. On Friday, according to our Parliamentary Correspondent, Mr. LLOYD GEORGE'S decision took shape in the form of written representation to the PRIME MINISTER, and these have since been followed by personal discussion between them. The gist of his proposal is under-stood to be the establishment forthwith of a small War Council fully charged with the supreme direction of the war. Of this Council Mr. ASQUITH himself is not to be a member - the assumption being that the PRIME MINISTER has sufficient cares of a more general character without devoting himself wholly, as the new Council must be devoted if it is to be effective, to the daily task of organising victory. Certain of Mr. ASQUITH'S colleagues are also excluded on the ground of temperament from a body which can only succeed if it is harmonious and decisive ... Since Friday, then, there has been in existence a political "crisis" of the first magnitude, if the word is applicable in these days to any domestic reconstruction. On Saturday Mr. AS-QUITH had a prolonged audience of the KING. There have been hurried journeys from distant par of England and a protracted Sunday meeting of the Unionist mem-bers of the Cabinet. Not since the days when the coalition was form ing has any political situation produced such excitement or, we may add, such a general feeling of

On the top of all this comes the official announcement that the PRIME MINISTER has decided or reconstruction and with it freal bope that the change may be effected without interregnum or lelay. It means, we assume, that he consents in principle to Mr. The conversion has been swift, but Mr. ASQUITH has never been slow to note political tendencies when they become inevitable. The testimony of his closest supporters even more, perhaps, than the ressure of those who have no politics beyond the war - must have convinced him by this time that matters cannot possible go on as at present. They must have convinced him, too, that his own qualities are fitted better, as they are fond of saying, to "preserve the "unity of the nation" (though we have never doubted its unity) than to force the pace of a War Council

\_ We imagine that all of them [the soldiers] would privately excress the view that great chance have been missed through weak ness and vacillation in the supreme direction of the war. That is a view which is certainly held by many thousands of civilians: If the soldiers also hold it, it is they, after all, who have the best reason for grasping the disastrous effects upon next year's campaign of any further delay in solving the sureme, the critical, the still unset tled question of man-power -

... This is by no meens the first time in the lest two years that Mr LLOYD GEORGE has been on the verge of a rupture with his colleagues. Once it was averted by the enforced surrender of the Government over the Military Service Bill. Once the Ministry of Munitions, and more lately the Was Office, seemed to provide fresh opportunities, even under unsatis factory conditions, of useful individual service. But from the very beginning he has stood apart from the rest in his unmistakable enthusiasms for vigorous war ...

#### Nothing to declare

From Mr Simon J. A. Powis Sir, A recent somewhat acrimonious dialogue with a Customs and Excise officer at Heathrow concerning a disputed duty payment has produced the following observation from him: " Secondly, telephone enquiries can not be dealt with on the phone". l presume when written en-

quiries can not be dealt with by letter the matter will be closed. Yours faithfully. Abington Hill, 504 Wellingborough Road, Northampton.

SIMON POWIS. November 24.

For most of their existence the drawings have

The drawings sold yesterday were copied by Dodgson from Tenniel's. They were presented to Alice probably in the spring of 1865 and sold by her grandaughter in 1958 as Tenniel's work. The discovery that they were by Dodgson, not Tenniel, was made in 1979.

The other highlight of Christle's manuscript sale was a handwritten manuscript of Sean O'Casey's Jano and the Paycock, which was sold

was made in 1979.

Sale room

Lewis Carroll's drawings

of Alice fetch £187,000

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Sotheby's evening sale of Tuesday night was a watershed, earning 240,159,960 for 10S lots in the course of two hours. No single sale in auction history has made so much money. The previous

**Dinners** 

of the Atlantic Richfield Com-pany, at Claridge's hotel. The

The Norwestan Ambassador, the Earl of Afrike, Mr. Robert B. Anderson. Mr. Pretes anderson. Lord Aman. Mr. Ernest Armstrong. MP. Sir Issiah Berlin, C.M. Mr. Sohn Biffen. MP. Mr. Sidg. Bulhartz. Lerd Blake. Lord Boutsmite. Sir Kenneth Bond, Lord Boutsmite. Lord Briggs, the Hon Peter Brooke. MP. Mr. Naikotim Bruce. MP. The Hon Allock Buchanao-Smith. MP. Land Bullock. Mr. Jeremy Bullmore.

Thatcher; Lord Thomson of Monthelm; Sir John Tooley, Mr. Donald Trefood, Sir Jah Trechowan, Sir Anthony Tuke, Mr. John William, Mr. Lord William, Mr. Lord William, Mr. Lord William, Mr. Lord William, Sir David William, Watson, Mr. Donald Wood, Mr. En Wrighlesworth, MP. Sir Woodrow Wyaff, Mr. Robert E. Wycotf and Lord Young of Graffigur.

Police Convalescence and

The Prime Minister and the

Speaker and Mrs Weatherill

artended a reception last night a

Speaker's House given by Vis-count Trenchard, Chairman of

the Appeal Council of the Police Convalescence and Rehabilita-

tion Trust, and Viscountess Trenchard. Others present in-cluded the Lord Mayor of

Home Department and the Hon Mrs Hurd, Mr Gerald Kaufman,

MP. Mr David Steel, MP.

Leicestershire and Derbyshire

sided at the annual dinner of

officers of the Leicestershire and

Derbyshire (Prince Albert's Own) Yeomanry beld last night

at the Cavairy and Guards Club

Henry Osmond-Clarke will be held at St Clement Danes,

memorial service for Sir

Service dinner

Reception

Rehabilitation Trust

high for a single sale was £29 million.

#### COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 3: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Pal-

ace this mornin The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee, attended The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme General Council at the

Scheme General Council at the International Centre, Bourne-mouth today.

His Royal Highness was received by the Mayor of Bourne-mouth (Councillor Dan Crone) and the Director of the Award Scheme (Mr Robert Heron).

Reignature Clippe Robertson Brigadier Clive Robertson

was in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh,
Permanent Master, this evening
presided at a Court Meeting of the Worshipful Company of Shipwrights at which The Prince of Wales was admitted an Assistant to the Court of the Company, at Ironmongers' Hall, London, EC2.

Afterwards, The Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by The Prince of Wales, presided at a Livery Dinner of the

His Royal Highness was re-ceived by the Master of the Company (Mr R.W. Abbott). Major Rowan Jackson, RM nd Mr Humphrey Mews were

The Duchess of York this afternoon visited the Park Lane Fair organized by the Forces Help Society and Lord Roberts Workshops, at the Park Lane Hotel, Wi.

Hotel, WI.

Her Royal Highness was received by the Lord Mayor of
Westminster (Councillor Mrs
Terence Mallinson), the National President, Forces Help Society and Lord Roberts Workshops (General Sir Robert Ford) and the Chairman of the Fair (the Marchioness of Ailesbury). Mrs John Floyd was in

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, this morning attended the Society's Council Meeting at 35, Belgrave Square, SW1, where Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Council (Mr C. Smith-Ryland). The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips Changellos of the

Phillips, Chancellor of the University of London, this afternoon presided at the Degree Ceremony of the University at the Royal Albert Hail.

Her Royal Highness was re-

ceived by the Vice-Chancellor of the University (the Lord In the evening, The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips at-

tended a Thanksgiving Service, to celebrate the University's 150th Anniversary, in St Paul's Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by the Dean of St Paul's (the Very Reverend Alan

Webster).
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips. Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance and

Nursing Cadets, attended the Order Gala Ball at the Inter-Continental Hotel, Hamilton Place, WI. Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the

Ball Committee (the Lord Mrs Malcolm Wallace was in idance),

CLARENCE HOUSE December 3: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morn-ing visited the Royal Smithfield Show at Earls Court.
Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston and Major Sir Ralph Anstruther, Bt, were in

KENSINGTON PALACE December 3: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this

of The Prince's Council at 10, Buckingham Gate, SW1 and subsequently entertained Mem-Shipwrights' bers of the Council and Duchy Land Stewards to luncheon at Kensington Palace. Sir John Riddell, Bt, was in The Princess of Wales this The Princess of Wales this morning opened the new Head-quarters of The Body Shop ple at Hawthorn Road, Wick, Littlehampton, West Sussex.

Afterwards, Her Royal Highness visited the Downland Housing Society Project run by the Sussex Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus at 5, Grand Avenue, Worthing.

Grand Avenue, Worthing.
The Princess of Wales, attended by Viscountess Campden and Lieutenant-Commander Richard Aylard, RN, travelled in an aircraft of The Oteon's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE December 3: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present this evening at the British-American Ball at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W1. Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon
Bland and Mrs Euan
McCorquodale were in

Queen's Flight.

attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester this evening presented the Commemorative Certificates to the holders of the 1985/86 Smith and Nephew Foundation Awards at a reception held at the Poundance of Supresent College of Supresent Royal College of Surgeons, London WC2.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE December 3: The Duke of Kent this morning opened the Tenth National Energy Management Conference and Exhibition and later visited the Department of Trade and Industry's CIMAP Demonstration at the National Exhibition Centre, Birming-ham, West Midlands.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Michael Campbell

The Duchess of Kent, as Patron of Age Concern, this afternoon attended a Carol Concert in Salisbury Cathredral, Wiltshire.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Michael Campbell Lamerton.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE December 3: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogitvy were present this evening at the opening of the exhibition "The New Thracian Treasure from Rogozen, Bulgaria" by Mr Georgi Yordanov. Deputy Chairman of the Council of Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, at the Mrs Peter Afia was in

#### Birthdays today

attendance.

The Marchioness of Anglesey, 62; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Sirmon Bland, 63; Mr Ronnie Corbett, 56; Sir Patrick Donner, 82; Miss Gemma Jones, 44; Mrs Pamela W. Matthews, 72; Miss Yvonne Minton, 43; Professor Brian Morris, 56; Dr A. L. Rowse, 83; Mr J. C. Trewin, 78; the Rev Professor C. J. M. Weir, 89.

Appointments

Colonel W.P. Fletcher, late Royal Army Dental Corps, to be Honorary Dental Surgeon to the

Miss Enid Castle, Headmistres of Red Maids' School, Bristol, to be Principal of Cheltenham Ladies' College from next September.

Miss Anne Heather Steel to be a Circuit Judge on the Northern

The Duke of Edinburgh, Permanent Master of the Shipwrights' Company presided at n special meeting of the court of the company at Ironmongers' Hall yesterday when the Prince of Wales, a liveryman of the company, was admitted as a member of the Court of Assistants. Mr Derek Kimber, Prime Warden, assisted with Rear Admiral Sir Morgan Morgan-Giles, Mr G.R.Newman, Mr F.M. Everard, and Dr E.C.B. Corlett.

Captain J.L. Weatherall (Commanding Officer of HMS Ark Royal were also present.

presided at a dinner given by the Primrose League at the House of Lords yesterday. Mr Leon Brittan, QC, MP, was the guest of honour and speaker. Lady Murton, Mrs Brittan, Judith Lady Roberts, Chairman of the Ladies Churchill Chapter. Mr Ladies Churchill Chapter, Mr W.L. Grant, honorary treasurer, and Mrs Grant, were also present.

present.

City Livery Club
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the annual dinner of the City Livery Club held at Guildhall last night. Sir John Welch presided. Mr Justice Owen, Dean of the Arches Court of Canterbury, Mr Alderman Brian Jenkins, Sir Peter Lane and the Rev Michael Bourne, President of Sion College and Chaptain to the City Livery Club, also spoke.

salmon and front Association held last night at Fishmongers' Hall. Lord and Lady Hunter, Sir Hector Monro, MP, and the Prime Warden of the Fishmongers' Company were among the principal guests.

the Directors of Mentzendorff & Co Ltd gave a dinner at the Inn on the Park Hotel yesterday in honour of the champion National Hunt jockeys for the 1985/86 season. Mme Bizot presented the Bollinger Trophies to the champion jockey, Mr Peter Scudamore, and to the leading amateur rider, Mr Tim Thomson Jones.

Southgate Hockey Clab The centenary of Southeate Hockey Club was celebrated at Lord's at a dinner held last night. The president, Mr Robert Watson, welcomed the guests the who included the President and Secretary-General of the Hockey Association, the Mayor of Enfield, the MP for Enfield and representatives of the London league and other clubs.

Lord Tweedsmuir, Brasenose College, President of the London branch of the Oxford Society, presided at the annual dinner held at Middle Temple Hall yesterday. Prebendary Harold Loasby, Brascnose College, the Warden of Merton College, Viscount Tonypandy, Lord Windlesham, New College, Dr H.A. Hurren, secretary of the society, and Mr Peter Plowden-

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were the guests of honour at the British American Associates ball held at Grosve-nor House yesterday. The nor House yesterday. The American Ambassador and Mrs Price and the High Commis-sioner for Canada and Mrs McMurtry were also present.

#### Strand, at noon on Wednesday, January 7, 1987. Forthcoming marriages

English showing for

duchess portrait

By Suzy Menkes

A striking portrait of the cated the distinctive dress by the Duckess of Windsor (pictured American designer,

Mainbocher, and are offering it

The portrait is remarkable for its strong sexual charge and its expression of the former Mrs. Simpson's magnetic style. "It

has the intensity and compelling

quality of all Brockburst's ma-

ture work", says Mrs Anne Goodchild, Assistant Keeper of Sheffield City Art Galleries,

who located the painting and has

organized the exhibition.
Gerald Brockhurst was a

prominent society painter in the 1930s, whose commissions in-

cluded Merie Oberon and Mar-

lene Dietrich, whose portraits will also be on show.

The Duke of Windsor paid

in a textile sale next February.

The Hon F.T. Baring and Miss A.S.E. Taylor nd Miss A.L. Riley The engagement is announced between Francis, son of Lord and Lady Northbrook, of East The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Bradstock, of Fal-Stratton, Winchester, and Amelia, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Reginald Taylor, of Hursley, Winchester.

The Hon J.F.M. Grosvenor and Miss D. Rossi
The engagement is announced between Julian, only son of Lord Ebury, and Elfin Lady Ebury, and Danielle, sixth daughter of Mr and Mrs Theo Rossi, of Sydney, Australia. Sydney, Australia.

and the Hon Mrs P. Wodehou The engagement is announced between Francis, son of Sir Philip and the Hon Lady de Zulueta, and Pandora (neé Jeffreys), daughter of Mrs W.J. Germing and stepdaughter of Mr W.J. Germing.

Mr D.P.H.P. Duncombe and Miss S.A. Battrana
The engagement is announced
between David, only son of Sir Philip and Lady Duncombe, and Sarah, elder daughter of the late Mr R.T.G. Battrum and of Mrs Battrum, of Westfield Farm. Great Brickhill,

and Miss S.L. Harriet The engagement is announced between Duncan Robert, son of Mr and Mrs Brian A. Ashby, of daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael D. Clifton, Northwood, Middlesex.

Mr D. McMeekin and Miss C. Harker The engagement is announced between Damian, son of Mr and Mrs G.W.J. McMeekin, of Brisbane. Australia. formerly of Papua New Guinea, and Chioe, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.G.N. Harker, of Gerrards Cross. Buckinghamshire

Mr R.D. Bruce-Gardner Mr D.J. Rhodes and Miss C.S. Wright
The engagement is announced
between Robin Digby, son of
Mr and Mrs Bryan BruceGardner, of Flyford Flavell,
Worcestershire, and Caroline
Shuar daughter of Mr and Mrs and Miss A.C.M. Walley The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs A.A. Rhodes, of Cheadle, Cheshire, and Alexandra, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs T.S.S. Walley, of Yarhampton, Warrestershire. Stuart, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter S. Wright, of Wivelsfield,

Mr R. Przybylski and Miss C. Cassels and Miss C. Cassels
The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs M.K. Przybylski, of Oadhy, Leicester, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.A. Cassels, of Uckfield, Sussers

Mr R.J.S. Holmes and Miss C.R. Ellis The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mr and Mrs H.J. Hohnes, of Buckinghamshire, and Carolyn, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D. Ellis, of Bisley, Woking.

Mr J.P. White and Miss C.P. Gould The engagement is announced between David eldest son of Mr The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs D. White, of Micklefield, Leeds, and Carole, only daughter of Mr and Mrs London.

Mr T.J. Hills and Miss K.M. Knowles

The engagement is announced between Thomas James, elder son of Mr and Mrs Thomas R. Hills of Burleigh Farm, Charing Heath, Kent, and Katherine Mary, daughter of Mr David Knowles, of Old Leigh Place, Stelling, Kent, and Mrs Barbara Knowles, of Roundshill, Sissinghurst, Kent.

Lientenant-Commander R. Nerick, RN and Miss H.R. Warner The engagement is announced between Rowland, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. Nurick, of Chalfont St Giles, Buckingham-shire, and Helen, only daughter of Mr R.B. Warner, MBE, and Mrs Warner, of Edinburgh.

Marriages Mr C.F.P. Arthur and Dr R.M.F. Lawry

and Dr R.M.F. Lawry.
The marriage took place on November 22, 1986, at St Peter's Church, Petersfield, Hampsbire, between Mr Christopher Arthur, younger son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Arthur, of Usk, Gwent, and Dr Rachel M.F. Lawry, daughter of the Rev John Lawry and the late Mrs Susan Lawry, of Petersfield.

#### **OBITUARY** MR LORAINE CONRAN Curator of vision

guished art gallery director, died on November 25. He was together with a near final typescript of the play for £63,800 (estimate £40,000-£50,000).

Sotheby's sustained the level of astonishingly

George Loraine Couran was born on March 29, 1912. Originally destined for the Navy, he was educated at the RNC Dartmouth.

Sotheby's sustained the level of astonishingly high prices for Impressionist and modern pictures of their previous night's sale as they moved on to second division pictures yesterday.

The highest flyer was Henri Martin, who followed the pioneering experiments of Semat, applying his pointillist rechnique to conventional landscapes. A sunlit harbour scene, "Le Port de Collioure" sold for £186,000 against an estimate of £50,000-£70,000, setting 2 new auction price record for the artist. But an early interest in the history of art led to a change of direction. He worked for a time in journalism, writing art reviews for a number of newspapers, including The

of £50,000-£70,000, setting a new anction price record for the artist.

It was bought by an immamed English private collector, who secured several of the top priced pictures. He paid another record price at £110,000 (estimate £30,000-£40,600) for Henri le Sidaner's "La Maison de l'été", the facade of a quiet country house overflowing with flowering creepers in sammer smalight. He also bought a Kees van Dongen "An cesimo de Deauville" at £126,500 (estimate £90,600-£110,000); the punters are caught in Van Dongen's characteristic bright colours. But then a curator friend of his encouraged him to go into the museum world, and in 1935 he obtained an appointment at the Birmingham Mu-seum and Art Gallery, moving the following year to the Walker Art Gallery at Liverpool, as deputy director. In 1938 he became, at 26.

the youngest director in the country when he was given charge of the Southampton Art Gallery. There he made judicious acquisitions of twentieth-century paintings; and, through his close friendship Mr R.O. Anderson and Mr with Arthur Jeffries, the Jef-L.M. Cook

A dinner was given last night by

Mr Robert O. Anderson and Mr

Lodwrick M. Cook, Chairman fries collection was given to

Southampton. He joined the Navy in the Second World War, serving as a gunnery officer in a destroyer, attaining the rank of lieutenant-commander, and being mentioned in despatches.
There was, perhaps, always
something of the naval officer
about him - in the Beatty rather than the Jellicoe mould.

His next post was the curatorship of the Iveagh Bequest at Kenwood (1950-62), where his head attendant recalled him holding "the visions" every morning. It was at Kenwood that he made his greatest mark, initiating the LCC summer exhibitions on aspects of British eighteenth-century art, which were continued with such success under the GLC and which are still maintained by English Heritage. He revived interest in

George Romney with an exhibition of his paintings and with who drawings (1961), and the fol-daughter.

ber 1. He was 73.

25, 1913. He made his debut in Cinderella at the Alhamhra Theatre, Glasgow. After this he spent four years at Glasgow Citizens' Theatre.

He worked in the provinces for many years, arriving in played the vice-chancellor the 1950s in London where he

National Theatre). Among his parts was Duke Senior in the all-male As You About Nothing.

Like It (1967), and the school-master Holofernes in Olivier's group at the National, he was revival of Love's Labour Lost the judge in Arthur Miller's ear. In Three The American Clock, At the Sisters (also 1967) he was the time of his death he was army doctor Chebunkin be- rehearing as the doctor in fore Olivier, who had been ill, King Lear.

came back to the part. He was Gibbet in The both classical and contempo-Beaux' Stratagem (1970); and rary plays. A lucid speaker Northumberland in Richard with a vigorous intelligence,

Westminster locum tenens and Mrs Forrester, Lord Diamond, the Secretary of State for the O'Connor who, during many

to six Popes, died on November 28. He was 86. He was born at Scranton, Pennsylvania, where he be-came an altar boy. He served

He was ordained in 1924, nuncio to Malta, the first nuncio (as distinct from apos-Urban College of Propaganda and the University of

Apollinare. He returned to Scranton where he was consecrated hishop in 1942. After the Second World War he was

appointed rector of the Pontifical North American College, Rome, which had been severely damaged during the war. He

CAPT PHILIP

## BULLOCK

Captaín Philip Critchell Bullock, OBE, died on No-vember 23. He was 86. Born on December 28, 1899, he was educated at Sherborne before joining the Indian Army in 1918. As an officer in the Bengal Lancers, he cart spring on the North he saw service on the North-West Frontier and engaged in the sports appropriate to his calling.

These cost him a broken

neck, which was luckily not fatal but caused his retirement from the Army in 1936. At the outbreak of war. however, he joined the RAF and began a new service career, During the invasion of Normandy he earned two mentions in despatches as well

as the OBE. After the war he was posted to Berlin, and when the city was blockaded by the Russians was responsible for the Spandau district. In 1952 he retired for the second time.

As a civilian he became general secretary of the Officers' Pensions Society, whose membership grew under his auspices from 4,500 to 30,000 at the time of his final retirement in 1966.

His wife, Nicky, survives him, as does a son from a

Mr Loraine Conran, distin-uished art gallery director, in bringing to London an ied on November 25. He was "American University Collection" from the Allen

Memorial Art Museum, Ohio. During this time he was, in addition to his museum duties, an outstanding secretary of the Contemporary Arts Society (1959-65), and curator of the Cook Collection, Rich-

mond, which was then stored at Kenwood.
In 1962, when he seemed established at Kenwood for some years to come, he moved to the Manchester City Art Gallery, as director. He bought well for Manchester, raising the annual budget from £5,000 to over £100,000. His most resounding success was the purchase, in 1970, of Stuhbs's Cheetah and Stag with two Indians.

But relations with the Corporation were not easy, and were further complicated by the formation of the Greater Manchester Council, to whose funds the gallery did not have

He retired in 1976 with something of the appearance of a broken man, caused, no doubt, partly by the onset of Parkinson's disease.

Yet he continued to play a part in museum affairs, attending the museums' conference. He had been hon secretary of the Museums' Association (1959-64), and its president (1966-7). He also served on the British committee of the International Council of Museums (1959-71).

Conran was of medium height, dark and handsome. with broad shoulders and a wide, humorous moutb, which gave him an uncanny resemblance to the actor, Glenn Ford.

In 1938 he married Jacqueline O'Neill Roe, a ballet dancer. They had a son and two daughters (one of whom died). The marriage ended in divorce in 1970, and that year he married Elizabeth Johnston, curator of the Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle. with whom he had another

But his work at the National

bered. There, in 1972, he was

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Edmund Kean. He look over

Friar Francis in Zeffirelli's

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He was consecrated titular

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in 1959 by Pope John XXIII,

reforming Council convened

by that Pope three years later.

of Paul VI, he was appointed

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In 1965, during the papacy

and played a major part in the

#### MR PAUL CURRAN American comedy The Front

Page (both 1972).

Mr Paul Curran, actor, for many years a familiar and well-regarded figure on the London stage, died on Decem-

will be especially remem-A Scot, he was born on April Sir Peter Teazle (to Louise

the 1950s in London where he joined the Old Vic (later the

II, and the mayor in the he was welcome in any cast. **ARCHBISHOP** 

#### MARTIN O'CONNOR Archhishop Martín J. raised \$4.5 million to rebuild

years in Rome was an adviser 1964.

in the Army during the First World War. and studied for a doctorate in theology in Rome at the

He later served as president of the pontifical commission for social communications in Rome, which in 1971 issued pastoral guidelines for bish-He also served as an adviser

Reformation.

to Popes John Paul I and IL

#### LEE DORSEY

Lee Dorsey, American rhythm and blues singer, whose hit records include "Working in the Coal Mine" and "Ride Your Pony", died on December 1. He was 59. Born in New Orleans on

December 4, 1926, he was already well past the first flush of youth when he began to find popularity with such novelty songs as "Ya Ya" and "Do Re Mi" in the late 1950s. An energeuc performer with

a raw hut instantly appealing voice, he produced his best work in the mid-1960s, performing songs from the pen of Allan Toussaint, New Orleans' most gifted post-war songwriter. Although his most popular

pieces usually involved some sort of gimmick in the lyric, Dorsey was quite capable of handring subtler songs, such as "Freedom for the Stallion". Toussaint's moving civil rights ballad, with admirable

Mr Emil Jonsson, prime minister of Iceland for 11 months in 1958, died on November 30. He was 84.

was also speaker of the Althing (1956-58) and foreign minister (1965-71)

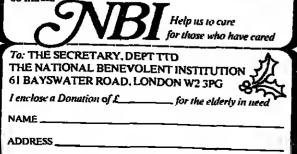


## Feel the warmth of giving this Christmas...

and help someone to feel a little less alone in the world. Christmas can be an agonising time for those who are old and without warmth and company. The memories. The feeling of isolation. People who have devoted their lives to the care of others, are now in need of help themselves.

Traditionally Christmas is the time for giving. There are elderly people who need our help and yours. A donation of £50 will help to keep someone warm all winter long, but we would be grateful for whatever you can spare.

The NBI was founded in 1812 to help elderly gentlefolk, who through no fault of their own found themselves in reduced circumstances in their declining years. Please help us to keep the same spirit alive this Christmas and hring a little hope to those who have given so much.



Nine pen and brown ink drawings depicting scenes from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, executed by Dodgson himself, the author of the book, were sold for £187,000 (unpublished estimate £100,000) at Christie's yesterday to an Shipwrights' Company The Duke of Edinburgh, Perma-American private collector. For most of their existence the drawings have masqueraded under an attribution to Tenniel, the illustrator who made the drawings for the published edition of Alice.

It has only recently been appreciated that the Rev Charles Luwidge Dodgson, alias Lewis Carroll, provided Tenniel with his own model drawings. He had made them to accompany the original manuscript of Alice which he presented to its inspiration, Alice Liddell, under the title Alice's Adventures Underground. The manuscript was extended for publication and Tenniel provided original drawings of his own.

Afterwards, the Duke of Edinburgh and the Prince of Wales attended a livery dinner at Iromongers' Hall. The Master and Clerk of the Ironnongers' Company, Admiral Sir William Staveley (First Sea Lord) and Contain I. I. Wasterbergel.

Lord Murton of Lindisfarne Lord Murton of Lindisfarne, presided at a dinner given by the

Salmon and Trout Association Lord Home of the Hirsel pre-sided at the annual dinner of the Salmon and Trout Association

Champagne Bollimger
M and Mme Christian Bizot and
the Directors of Mentzendorff &

Canning House Sir Peter Macadam, President of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian Council, was host at a dinner at Canning House yesterday, in bonour of Ambassadors and heads of mission of Latin America, Spain and Portugal, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Gov-

ernor of the Bank of England, was the guest of honour. Oxford Society

chairman, also spoke **British American** 

Associates

and is embarking on a pains-taking restoration of the The portrait, painted in 1939, hree years after the Abdication,

shows that Brockburst was fas-cinated by Mrs Simpson and planned the purtrait long before the Abdication. He wanted also to paint the Duke of Windsor in his uniform of the Welsh Guards, but this was never shows the duchess set against a lowering sky, wearing a severe steel grey dress, unbuttoned at the seckline and decorated with realised. 1.250 guineas for the picture of his wife, which was exhibited in a jewelled flower brooch.

In a strange coincidence,
Sotheby's, spoasors of the
Brockhurst exhibition, have lo-

for the first time next week, the

50th anniversary of the Abdica-

This morning the painting, by

British artist Gerald Brockhust, will leave Paris, where it has dominated the Windson's French home for 30 years. It will go on display next

Saturday at the Graves Art Gallery, Sheffield, in a Brockhurst exhibition which will reach the National Portrait Gallery in London next April.

The painting has been lent by Mr Mohamed Al Fayed, the owner of Harrods. Mr Al Fayed

has bought the remaining con-tents of the Windsor mausion

tion of Edward VIII.

1939 at Knoedlers Gallery in New York, where Brockhurst

coners House, Crichel, Wimborne, Dorset, and Anna, younger daughter of Major John Riley and the late Mrs Riley. of Trinity Manor, Jersey.

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> Devon, and Sarah, younger
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and Mrs George Hensley, of Formby, Lancashire, and Char-lotte Mary, only daughter of the late Dr Philip Puddifoot and Mrs Valerie Puddifoot, of Mr R.D. Doxford and Mrs L. Hiscox
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BAER - On December (s) 1986, at St. Mary's Hospital. London, to Amanda (nee Rooney) and Simon a son, Manthew Thomas)
BOSSOM - On November 27th, to Penclope (nee Holland - Martin), wife of Bruce. a daughler, Rosanna Emily.
BROWN - On November 15th 1986, to Derek and Jane (nee Earnes), their first child, a son, Robert John Deshborough.

Deshborough.
COLIVET DESNRSON - On November 29th 1986, at U.C.H., to Kim and Peter, a son, Finbar.
DOEH - On November 26th, to Rosapoeth - On November 26th, to Rosalind Inée Church) and Doran, a son
Benjamin Benedici, a brother for
Anthony and Maximilian.
Senemos - On December 1st, at
Mount Aivernia Hospital. Guilford,
to Vicky wife of Jeremy Jennings, a
daughler.
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READMAN - On December 2nd 1986. al Strling Royal Infirmary, to Jane, wife of Sandy Readman, a daughter. SCOTT - On November 25th, lo Doro-thy Inée Hutchinson) and David, a daughter, Cordelia Emily Newton. SYKES On November 25th, at Wexham Park Hospital, to Cella Inée Nicholasi and Mark, a daughter, Phi-lappa Heylin Ann,

DEATHS

ADAMS On December 1st, peacefully aged 70, Kenneth Balgowan, beloved husband of Nancy (nee Laurier; and much loved laiher, laiher-lin-law and grandfaiher to Alison, Stephen, Richard and Marlanne, Funeral Finday Sin December 2pm, Aldef, shot Cremalorium, Cut flowers only please or denations to imperial Cancer Research Fund via Farnham Funeral Service, 100 Shortheath Rd, Farnham.

BIRD - On November 28th, peacefully SRRD - On November 28th, peacefully after an illness bravely borne in hospital. Major Leonard Stewart (Dickiel Bird aged 68. of Octavia Road. Steworth, Middlesser, Former Major of the 23rd King's African Rifles and ex-Commando. Funeral Service at South West Middlesex Crematorium today, Thursday 4th. at 11am.

BOURRICE - On Monday December 1st. pcacefully after a long litness at Wisdom . Hospice. Rochester. Shirter, beloved wife of Desmond John O'Donnell, mother of Therese, Patrick. Isabelle and Andrew, and grandmother of Alexander, Genevieve and Vanessa. Funeral service at St. Michael's Church. Tonbridge Dood Maiddings on Wednesday. at Si. Michaer's Church. Tononoga Road, Maddstone, on Wednesdat 10th December at 2.45 pm follower committal at Vinier's Park Cremato rium. Family flowers only Donations to Cancer Research.

CADMAN - On December 2nd, peacefully, James Strom, aged 77, dear
husband of Mary of Rhagatt Hall,
Corwen, Famuly service 2pm Friday
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hanksgiving for his life. 12 noon
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FRECKER- On Nosember 29, peacefully al home amongst bis family. Edward George Fricker, aged 76 years, the world famous healer, after a life time devoted to healing the sick. Funeral Service at St Paul's, Camiet Way, Hadley Wood, Herb. at 11.50 am on Monday December 8 1986, followed by Interment at New Southgate Cemetery, Brunswick Park Road Nil. Flowers may be sent to Neibercott & Son, 150 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Herbs, by 10.00 am on December 8.

HORAN - On December 1st, peacefully, Tom, loving husband of Meg and dear father of Christopher, Sareh and Simon. Funeral Ipm Wednesday December 10th at St. Edward's. Chillon Polden. No nowers.

ILLINGWORTH - On November 29th, peacciully in hospital, Evelyn Maud Stuart. Privale funeral service at Aidershot Park Cremalorium, Floral tributes to A & W Goddard Ltd. Kent Rd. Fleet. Hampshire.

IAMES - On December 2nd 1986. peacefully BI her home in Torquay. Molly, widow of Capt M D James Molly, widow of Capt M D James RA, dearly loved mother of Dians and her lamily, and belored Auni Moll of Peter. Faneral service at St Matthias Church, Wellswood, Torquay on Saturday December 6th at 10.30am. Family flowers only. Donalions for RUKBA may be sent of Torbay and District Funeral Service. Wellswood. Torquay.

KENT On December 1st 1986, passed peacefully away Percival Arthur of Broadlinks house, Paignton, Devon, loving husband of Jessie and father of Maureen, Michael and Nichola, Privale funeral.

Private funeral.

LICKMAN. on October 31st. after 8 short illness, at his home to New York, where he had lived for 20 years. Ronald, well known London designer, missed by his friends.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES **DEATHS**

LOCKETY On December 2nd, at Millinits. Crieff. Violet Reef, vidgow of Colonel Vivian Lockett. 17/21 Lancers. She donated her body for medical research. A service of Thankspiving will be held at St. James's Church. Muthill. at 3-30pm on Monday December 8th. Memorial Service at St. Andrew's Church. Trowse. Norwich. at noon on Friday December 19th. Tokens in memory if desired to The Friends of Norwich. Calibederal, 73. The Close. Norwich. She lives again in lives made better. Cathederal, 73. The Close. Norwich.
She lives again in lives made better

She lives again in lives made better by her presence. LORD On November 30th, Mary (Pat) aged 81 years of Honiton. Devon, Formally of Tintagel, Cornwall, Funeral service in the Exeler and Devon crematorium tomorow, Friday 6th December at 11.45am.

MAITLAND - On December 1st, peacefully at Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary. John Walter Mailland. Beloved husband of VI Maittand, Funeral at Newton Stewart on 6th December at 11.50am.

PANETH - On November 30th, at Hazlewell Nursing Home, London \$50th, at Hazlewell Nursing Home \$50th, at Hazlew

Jaw 10. atler a creative and active life, Marie, in her minety second year.

Pla0T - On Sunday November 30th, Major Ceneral Sir Robert Anthony Pigot Bart. CB OBE OSLI DL. Beloved husband of Selly and the late Honor and father of Louise, Hugh, Robert and Sophie, Funeral service at Holy Trinity, Bembridge, IW, on Monday December 8th al 2pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to IW Lifeboat Board. c/o Lloyds bank, Ryde, IW. Memorial service at Holy Trinity, Cowes, IW on Friday January 9th 1987 at noon.

PRICERARD, DONES - On December 2nd 1996. suddenly, Richard William, aged 72 years, of Forge Coltage, Whittlesford. Cambridge, younger son of the late Sir John Prichard Jones Bart and the late Lady Louth, formerly of Anglesey, beloved husband of Sally and adored latiner of Richard and Marke. Funeral service al Cambridge Crematorium on Tuesday December 9th at 11.30am. Floral tributes may be sent to Brian Warner Funeral Service. Harshel Court. Cambridge. Harshel Court. Cambridge. Harshel Court. Cambridge. Sister at North Middleser. hospital for 33 years. Funeral Service at the Enfield Crematorium. Enfield, on Tuesday 9th of December 30th, suddenly at home in the Borough, suddenly at home in the Borough.

Enquiries to Barnard & Hortock Tet. O1 807 2568.

SULLIVAN - On November 30th, suddenly at home in the Borough, Terence, aged 75 years, uncle of Frances and Delia, Mass at Hoty Trinity R.C. Church, Dockhead, SE16 at 12.30 pm. Wednesday 10th December and thereafter SI Phirick's Cemetery, Leytonstone, at 2pm. Flowers to F.A. Albin & Sons, 52. Cuiting Rd, SE16.

SWIFT - On November 30th 1986, peacefully at St. Georges Retreat. Ditchiling Common, Sussex. Norah Ethel, tale of Saffrons Road, Eastbourne, Sussex. Widow of Lionel Swift, Funeral service at St. Marys Parish Church. Eastbourne, on Thursday 11th December at 11,15 am, followed by cremation, Family Rowers only, Donations if desired to St Wilfrids Hospice, 2 Mill Gap Road, Eastbourne, R.D.,

TAMMSTA - On December 2nd 1986.

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\*\*PAUGHAM\*\* On December 1st 1986, peacefully in hor sleep at Dartmonth Hospital after a short filmes. Diana Elizabeth Marterie, beloved wife of Edmond and mother of Juliet, Sully and John. Finneral Service at St. Saviour's Church, Dortmouth at 2 para on Monday 8th December, Family flowers only pleese, but donations may be send to the British Heart Foundation. c/o R.C. Pillar & Sons. Funeral Directors, Anzac Square. Dartmouth Tel: 08043 2121

MEMORIAL SERVICES

STEWART - A thanksgiving service for Alan Graham Stewart, TV Producer, Alan Graham Stewart, TV Producer, will take place at 12 noon on Friday 12th December, at 51 Columba's (The Church of Scotlend) Post Street SW1.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE MELARD - Christopher Richard, Royal Navy. A Judge at the Central Crimi-nal Court who died so suddenly one year ago today. - Anne. Ruth and Nicholas.

KNIGHTLY - Remembering David today and always, so very sadly missed. rnissed.

ROBHOSM - Hyman, in loving memory of my father who died 4th
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### Britons set to lead **Amazon expedition**

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent One of the biggest research sands of species of insects

One of the biggest research expeditions ever mounted into the Amazonian raio forests is being led by Britons.

A team of 50 scientists brought together by the Royal Geographical Society will tackle five research programmes to the remote and uninhabited Maraca remote and uninhabited Maraca. five research programmes io the remote and uninhabited Maraca Island area within the landmass of northern Brazil. The project is being officially launched in London today by the Prince of Wales, patron of the society. The island, twice the size of

the Isle of Wight, is covered in forest bounded by turbulent rivers, and has plentiful tropical wildlife. It was declared a nature reserve a few years ago. The Brazilian authorities have asked the society to undertake an ecological survey of the area. In overall charge is the society's director. Dr John Hemming, who leaves sooo to begin preparation for the field work which will go oo through-

out next year. Dr Jim Ratter, of the Edinburgh Botanic Gardens, and a Brazilian co-leader will take a team to assess as many as possible of hundreds of thou-

Memorial service | Latest wills

Dr C. Young
A memorial service for Dr Carmichael Young was held in the chapel of St Mary's Hospital. the chapel of St Mary's Hospital. Helt estate valued in the chapel of St Mary's Hospital. Professor Sir Stanlev Peart, of St Mary's Hospital Medical Mary's Hospital Medical School, read the lesson. Mr School, read the lesson Mr Alisdair Fraser, representing the medical staff, gave an address. Mr Joseph Eric Leach, of St Asaph, Clwyd, left estate valued at £997, 293 oct.

Gray's Inn

Professor Sir Thomas Smith. QC. Professor John Meurig Thomas, FRS, and Baroness Warnock have been appointed honorary masters of the bench

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Lord Woolley, of Hatton Heath, Cheshire, President of the National Farmers' Union 1960-66, left estate valued at £748,090

will study the natural cycle of growth after different types of destruction or clearing. Studies

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Human life in Amazonia has always been blighted by tropical diseases, which are spreading

Dr Derek Charlwood, of the Liverpool School of Tropical

Medicine, and a team of entomologists will study the habitats and breeding cycles of

some of the insects which

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Lincoln's Inn Mr Paul Heim, Registrar of the Court of Justice of the European Communities, has been elected s bencher of Lincoln's Inn.

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## Ten out of ten from the school inspectors



All present: Mrs Jones with her 150 pupils, teachers, parent helpers and dinner staff outside Addingham school, near Bradford. (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

By John Clare Education Correspondent

Addingham school, near Bradford, has been awarded a rare gold star by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools. In an unusually enthusiastic report, published yesterday, the inspectors de-scribed it as a place of "outstanding

They said its curriculum was "rich and wide-ranging": the quality of the pupils' work and standard of teaching consistently high".

The report went on to say that the children take a delight in their work; they are confident and eager to learn. Relations between staff and pupils are excellent and the atmosphere is "happy and secure".

Addingham school has 150 children on the roll, aged between four and nine years. Most come from in and around Addingham village, which is expanding rapidly and is known as an upwardly mobile area. About half the pupils are from middle-class homes and some 15 per cent live on local farms.

Mrs Judith Jones who has taught at the school for the past 20 years and served the past 11 as head teacher, said bottles of wine for the staff.

yesterday: "We are really thrilled about the report but it's also a bit of an anticlimax. The inspectors were here in January and we have moved on since

"We're progressive in the sense that we'll look at anything new - but not for the sake of jumping on the latest bandwagon

"Some of our parents would like us to be more traditional. They'd have us all wearing blazers with crests and organized into houses.

They tend to think that our emphasis on the creative things like art and music are time-wasting. But they put up with us because they know our work on language and maths is so good."

It is an analysis the inspectors confirm: "Standards of reading are high throughout the school . . . a broad range of mathematical experience is provided ... the art and craft work is of high quality ... the coincidence of these different elements is rarely found in one

The report was celebrated with buns and cream cakes for the children and

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Prince Michael of Kent, as President of the Royal Automobile Club, attends a meeting

of the RAC British Motor Sports

Council, preceded by a lun-cheon, at the Belgravia Sheraton

Princess Alexandra, chan-cellor, presides at a congregation for the conferment of Higher and Honorary Degrees at Lan-

the Wellcome Trust at the Wellcome Building, Euston Road, 6.30.

dent of the Royal Jubilee Trusts, attends a meeting of the Admin-istrative Council at 8 Bedford

Last chance to see

Lunchtime concert by the Delme String Quartet; St George's Music Trust, Brandon

Harp recital by Imogen

Music

caster University, 12.45 The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attend a reception to mark the fiftieth anniversary of

Hotel, 12.30.

#### Why Havers was left out of spy decision

Continued from page 1 to allow the book was taken, Sir Robert said: "I have not discovered any minutes of it (the meeting) but I have to emphasize that these matters were being discussed in considerable secrecy apparently because we were not supposed to have a copy of the

The Government has so far refused to comment on the circumstances in which the manuscript came into its pos-session, a refusal maintained yesterday by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, in

the Commons debate. But The Times has now established from senior gov-ernment sources that the explanation later given to the Attorney-General for his not having been consulted on the book was because of the very delicate and sensitive nature copied and returned

of the source. The disclosure will add weight to the view held by the opposition parties that Sir Michael was not informed because he would have had to have been told that the book was illegitimately acquired. In his independent role as prosecutor Sir Michael would have had no choice but to initiate

consideration of proceedings. It is believed that the MIS lawyers used that the argument - that they could not admit to breaking the law -- to advance their claim that the book could not be stopped by

an injunction. Senior ministers can only surmise that it was either stolen from the publishers or Mr Pincher, handed to the Government by a sympathetic printer, or even "borrowed" the text taken away, photo-

## **BCal buys US** jets for £700m

Continued from page 1 405 passengers in a three-class layout and have a cargo capacity of 25 tonnes. It will

be capable of operating non-stop over a range of 7,000 Although the aircraft so far only exists on paper Mc-Donnell Donglas is expected to announce that building work will begin in the new year after the signing of orders from four other airlines who are expected to follow BCal

within the next few weeks. The order is the biggest ever placed by BCal and means that it now has a total of 17 new jets on order worth more than £1,000 million.

The MID-11 will carry up to 405 passengers in a three class

#### Frank Johnson at the Commons

## What is really bugging MPs

The House was waiting for the Alliance motion which would enable members, for the first time, to have a full debate on the Wright spy case as opposed to just questions and points of order. Suddenly, the Secretary for the Environment, Mr Nicholas Ridley, got up and made a statement on the rate support

Spies, treason, leaks, illegal telephone-tapping and bur-glary by the security services are one thing. But, in the grim world in which Britain must live, the rate support grant is a deadly serious matter. Hu-man lives are at stake - or at least human votes. Vast areas of the country could be occupied by what many see as the enemy with which since 1945 Britain has been fighting a long twilight struggle: the Labour Party. Whole constituencies could be wiped out for the Tories at the next election if Mr Ridley were to make one small slip. So, contrary to what some smart people may say, we are not playing games

Deploying the deadly euphemisms of local govern-ment finance, Mr Ridley's "in the light of new information" he was ann-ouncing "revised proposals". He was consulting the local

authorites. Dr John Cunningham, his Opposition shadow, said it was "an unprecedented situ-Eventually, the Speaker

eased the tension by moving the House on to the debate on espionage. But not before Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow, Lab) had risen on a point of order to ask what had become of the Speaker's promise on Monday to look into Mr Dalyeli's allegation that Mr Kinnock's Commons telephone might have been tapped. How else could the Tories have known about the telephone calls to the anti-Government counsel in the

Wright case?
Mr Dalyell took care on Monday to say his own Commons telephone had behaved in a very strange manner." These days, many Labour backbenchers, especially those sponsored by the Post Office Union, would put that down to privatization. But on the Labour backbenches, a kind of surveillance chic prevails. There is a cachet attached to having your telephone tapped. Mr Dalyell was making

it clear he was just as fashionable as Mr Kinnock.

The Speaker yesterday told him: "I am looking into the matter and shall be writing to the hon Gentleman." Paranoids on the Labour benches doubtless reacted with a suitable: "Writing eh? The Speaker knows y'can't trust Thatcher's 'phones."

On to the spies. Dr Owen moving the Alliance motion made a masterly speech with out notes, in which he put lots of difficult questions to the Home Secretary. Mr Douglas Hurd, who took notes of them and in his own speech took care not to answer any of them. Dr Owen became the first opponent of the Government to mount a really strong case against the Govern-ment's conduct of the Wright case. He did this by avoiding giving the impression that be could not care less about British State secrets and was only out to make people like Sir Robert Armstrong look silly. Thus he denounced Mi Wright's betrayal of his oath of secrecy - something La-bour never do.

Mr Hurd, in his speech, praised Dr Owen as a way of damning the Labour back-bencher who has virtually invented the alleged scandal Mr Dale Campbell-Savours. When the latter interrupted Mr Hurd to ask why MIS officers were allowed to leak to Mr Chapman Pincher, the Home Secretary replied that Mr Campbell-Savours was "out of his depth" compared with the high level attained

by Dr Owen's speech. Mr Benn then intervened to ask whether Mr Wright's allegations were true that M15 had hugged and burgled the then Harold Wilson when Prime Minister, Mr Benn sounded envious of the then Prime Minister. In Labour terms, it would be the height of fashion to be bugged while Prime Minister. Mr Hurd referred Mr Benn to the Home Secretary of the period, Mr Roy Jenkins, who in his own elegant contribution to the debate said he knew

nothing about it.

Mr Hurd rejected the Alliance idea that the legislature oversee the security services as in the United States. He urged us to be "somewhat chary" of "foreign models". Foreign models? Mr Hurd

did right to warn politicians against talking to such temptresses. For a Tory security scandal, all this case has

#### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

#### Today's events

#### Royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, Trustee, attends a Trustees' meeting and lunch to mark the taunch of the Museum's Development Fund at the National Maritime Museum.

presents the 1986 Binney Memorial Awards and unveils a plaque in memory of Captain Ralph Biooey, RN, at Goldsmiths Hall, EC2, 5pm. Queen Elizabeth the Queen

Mother visits the Royal College of Music, 3. Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester visits HMS Walrus

#### Greenwich, SE10, 10; and at the Pool of London, 3.30. The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,220



ACROSS

- 1 Breach in party about the Right (10). 6 No boring part in this me morial service (4).
- 10 Scorned performance with free admission (7).
- labour (7). 12 Each one
- solutely (5,4). 13 Soldiers thus bring colour to a large assembly (5).
- 14 Dog caught in bear-hug (5). 15 Starting fighting (7,2).
- 17 Actor's cue to chat with crowd, perhaps (9).
- 20 Plaster of Paris goes funny without sulphur (5). 21 She had a daughter by Lamh
- 23 Camel post is curious medium for this emissioo (9).
- 25 A way to break into pubs that needs guts (7).
- 26 Old soldier fired in anticipa-27 Part of chain or combine
- Bands on the green accompanying little folk groups? (5,5).

I In Spain, duennas are often pul on (5). 2 Perhaps threatened knight with dismissal paid up (6,3).

Concise Crossword page 14

#### took a farcical turn (7,7). 4 News of rising? It rings

- 5 Won at Bisley? You may have to shout! (7).
- 7 The party of a dissenting order, presumably (5).
- 8 Kind of lens required for Gray's view of Eton? (9). 9 Charge by The Times, per-haps, for stout wrapper haps. (9,5).
- 14 Group bore avoided by anooymity (4-5).

  16 Development of plan for
- baby carriage (9). 18 Love poem to a follower
- abroad (7). Digger who falls on the drink (7).
- 22 Mark new undergarments

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Barford and Mary Harris; Me-morial Chapet, Exeter Univer-sity, Exeter, 1.10.
University Madrigal Choir conducted by Isobel Woods; King's Hall, Newcastfe University, 1.10. New Lo New London Consort; Bed-ford School, Bedford, 7.45.

Hill, Bristol, t.

#### **Anniversaries**

Births: John Cotton, Puritan leader in New England, Derby, 1585: Thomas Carlyle, 1363; 100mas Carlyle, Ecclefechao, Dumfriesshire, 1795; Samuel Butler, author of The Way of All Flesh, Langar Rectory, Notts, 1835. Rainer Maria Rilke, poet, Prague, 1875 Deaths: Cardinal Richelien, Chief Minister to Louis XIII of Deaths: Cardinal Richelien. Chief Minister to Louis XIII of France. Paris. 1642; Thomas Hobbes, philosopher, Hardwick Hall, Derbyshire, 1679; John Gay, poet and author of The Beggars' Opera, London. 1732; Robert Banks Jenkinson, 2od Earl of Liverpool. Prime Minister 1812-27. London. 1828; Stefan George, poet, Miousio, Switzerland. 1933; Thomas Morgan. geneticist, Pasadena, California, 1945; Benjamin Britten. Baron Britten. Aldeburgh.

ten. Baron Britien, Aldeburgh, 1976. The Observer was first published, 1791. William Pitt introduced income tax, 1798.

#### Books - paperback

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FICTION
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Doria Flor and Her Two Husbands, by Jorge Arnado, translated by Harriet de Chis (Serpert's Tell, £6.95)
Nine Men Who Laughed, by Austin Clarke (Penguin, £3.95)
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Four Jacobean City Cornecties, edited with an introduction and notes by Garnini Salgado (Penguin Classics, £4.95)
Rudyard Kipling, His Life and Work, by Charles Carrington (Penguin, £4.95)
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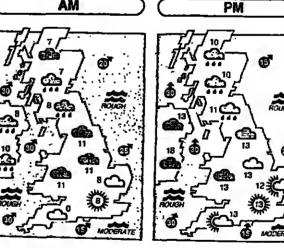
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Our address

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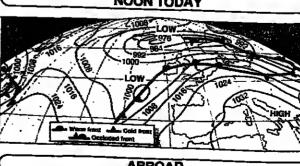
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#### Avana 'not for us' says Northern

Northern Foods, the food group, yesterday reiterated that it had no intention of altering its 20.3 per cent shareholding in Avana Group. Mr Christopher Haskins, chairman of Northern Foods, said: "We have had a substantial shareholding in Avana since the early 1970s and have

no intention of either adding to it or reducing it." Mr Haskins was speaking at a meeting after the announc-ment of Northern Foods' results. in the six months to September turnover fell 4 per cent to £730.5 million and pretax profits increased from £34.6 million to £37.1 million. Tempos, page 25

#### Tate & Lyle profits up

Tate & Lyle reported pretax profits up 6.2 per cent to £81.5 million on turnover up 1 per cent to £1.6 billion. There was an extraordinary loss due to the installation of new packing machinery of £12.9 million. The dividend was increased 4.5 per cent to 23p net.

Tempus, page 25

#### Euromoney up

Euromoney Publications, the financial magazine, information and conference group founded by Sir Patrick ergeant, former City editor of the Daily Mail, yesterday. in pretax profits to £5.2 million for the year ended September 30.

#### Stake sold

Stormeard, Mrs Jennifer d'Abo's investment vehicle which owns the Selincourt textile group, is selling its 9.7 per cent stake in Frank Usher, the dressmaker, for £634,753. The money will be used to

#### reduce borrowings. Bank opposes

The International Tin Council's move to strike out a petition for its compulsory winding-up has met with further opposition in the High Court. Kleinwort Benson, the merchant hanker, which claims to be owed £7 million by the ITC, was given leave to apply on Friday to join Amalgamated Metal Trading in opposing the striking out.

#### Profits jump

Smith & Nephew Associated Companies, the manufacturer of medical and healthcare products, reported a 22.5 per cent increase in pretax profits to £58.2 million, on sales up 6.5 per cent to £350 million, for the 40 weeks to October 4.
Tempus, page 25

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Rough day for Guinness adviser

# Morgan price hits new low

Shares in Morgan Grenfell, the merchant bank adviser to Guinness, fell to an all time low yesterday amid speculation in the market that a top level director was about to resign over the Government

investigation into Guinness. The shares fell 14 pence to 354 pence. Guinness shares also feil to 274½ pence – a record low for the year before recovering slightly to close at 279 pence.

Mr George Miller, director of personnel at Morgan Gren-fell denied that any resigna tion was imminent."It is not true at all. No resignation is being contemplated," he said.

Meanwhile the DTI investigation appears to be focussing on three key areas of the Guinness bid. These are possible insider dealing, the question of whether there was an undisclosed concert party purchasing Guinness shares or whether there was a so-called "sweetheart deal" struck between Guinness and the Rapid America Corporation whose Schenley subsidiary

Fewer than

expected

apply for

gas shares

By Richard Lander

The number of people applying for shares in the £5.6 hillion British Gas flotation

has fallen well short of expectations, although the is-

sue was still well over-

According to preliminary estimates, some 3.5 to four

million applications were re-ceived by yesterday's 10am

deadline, compared to the six

million that organizers had

Mr Michael Henman of

"We'll end up with at least 3.5

million share allotments -

more than any other issue,

because we have no intention

of balloting".3 million people applied for BT shares while

only three million of the five

million applicants for TSB

were succesful when the bank

appears to be about five times

oversubscribed and will be increased to 2.5g billion shares hy "clawing back" stock originally allocated to

British, and foreign institu-tions. The exact basis of

allocation will be announced

by on Monday.

City analysts said the clawback should mean a

healthy start to trading next

Stock Exchange dealings are

expected to start at between 60

Monday afternoon.

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ucts in America.

Schenley, through a company called Atlanoc Nominces were heavy buyers of Guinness shares in the closing



Mr Ian Chapman (above), chairman of William Collins, the Glasgow publishing groap, has joined the board of ess as a non-executive director. Mr Chapman bemember of a powerful committee of non-executives on the brewing company board which under certain circumstances will be able to appoint or remove the group chairman and deputy chairman.

Previously Mr Meshulam Riklis, the owner of Rapid America approached Argyli offering to support the Argyll bid for Distillers in return for continuance of the distribution agreement. Mr Gulliver is understood to have told Mr Riklis that he could not give any undertaking on the

A representative of Mr Ivan Boesky also approached Mr Gulliver after he had hid for Distillers but before Guinness had launched its rival hid.

Mr Boesky who had a large shareholding in Distillers at the time is understood to have offered his support for the Argyll hid — an offer which Mr Gulliver also declined.

A Guinness spokesman last night said that Distillers' relationship with Rapid America went back to 1936. He added that Distillers had renewed its three-year con-tract with Rapid - not Guinness - and that this had taken place in January this

## Directors' pay beats inflation

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

total remuneration up as much as 12 per cent, and in the next year the total is likely to rise again by up to 10 per

However, executive chair-11.1 per cent salary increase. All the increases in the survey were well ahead of the inflation rate.

These conclusions emerged yesterday in the latest annual survey of directors' pay car-ried out hy Reward Regional Surveys and the Institute of that the Directors. It increases in the 12 months to September were lower than

Dewe Rogerson, publicity advisers to British Gas, said some other estimates. the shortfall was largely due to The Confederation of Britmembers of households applyish Industry had reported that ing jointly, using a priority on the boards of its member registration form, rather than companies remuneration was individually.
"We still hope that we'll increasing at 14 per cent a year have roughly 5.5 to six million shareholders. The average application appears to be about £1,300 which is more forecasts that over the next per cent rise. year directors are likely to see

increases of up to 20 per cent.
A typical candidate was a than we expected and higher managing director earning £30,000 a year or, if profitsthan TSB or British Telecom."
Mr Anthony Alt of N M
Rothschild, merchant bank related bonuses are taken into advisers to the issue, also account, the total remuneration stands at £34,750. The Staffs ST15 8BA. refused to be disappointed.

Directors' salaries in the past 12 months have risen between 6 and 7 per cent, with total remuneration up as total remune a Jaguar and ran a company with a £5.5 million turnover

and 66 employees. Among managing directors 81 per cent were in company men did better. They saw an arranged medical schemes, 77 per cent in pension schemes

and 31 per cent had a degree.

Executive directors typically had basic pay of £25,000 after a 6 per cent rise and total pay of £27,000, an 11.1 per cent increase. They tended to be older - 48 - preferred a Ford Granada and they were companies. The survey covered 6,220

directors who thought that next year their salaries would go up only 5 per cent, but the survey suggests, that since directors always underestimate on this, and there have been other a likelier forecast was for a 7

This compares with Rewards' forecast for staff and management increases in the next year of 5.4 per cent. Directors Rewards 1986-87:

£120 from Reward Regional Surveys, 1 Mill Street, Stone,



#### A billion-dollar day for oil baron Oscar

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

For those who have missed out in putting their money in the hands of Sir Denis Rooke at British Gas there is an alternative; Mr Oscar Sherman Wyatt Junior, an oil millionaire from Texas who, had you put a dollar in his company back in 1955, would

now repay it 83 times over. Mr Wyatt's company, The Coastal Corporation, worth \$1 billion (£700 million), was placed on the London Stock Exchange yesterday. And the similarities between it and British Gas, and Mr Wyatt and Sir Denis are what makes

the oil and gas sector the most colourful in the business. Both men have built their companies into dominant forces in their own market places. Both are known for

However, while Sir Denis

was presented with his company by the Government, Mr Wyatt founded Coastal him-self in 1955. He raised the \$800 necessary by selling his 1949 model-A Ford.

Coastal has revenues £5.196 million compared with British Gas revenues of £5.122 million. Its operating profit last year was £483 million while British Gas made £688 million. Coastal has assets worth £5,814 million while British Gas has assets of £4,037 million.

Mr Wyatt had some advice for Sir Denis, now that he is operating in the private sector: Be careful," Mr Wyatt

warned. "I wish him well and envy him. Who wouldn't envy somenne being given a large established company by the Government."

## P & O cleared for Euro Ferries bid today

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

European Ferries' capital.

Shares in both companies were suspended before the release of the Monopolies Commission's verdict yes-terday morning: European Ferries at 122p and P & O deferred at 523p. If the talks succeed, a takeover hid valuing European Ferries at more than £300 million is likely to be announced this morning.

The commission's report said that the merger situation "does not and may not be expected to operate against the public interest" due to freedom of entry into the markets.

A takeover would give P & O control of the leading cross-Channel ferry group Townsend Thoresen and of the ports of Felixstowe and Larne. The combination of these and P & O's Ferrymaster door-to-door inter-national road freight interest, which has a large business with European Ferries through Dover and Southampton, poses a further threat to the Eurotunnel.

Almost two years ago, P & O sold its cross-Channel ferry husiness to Townsend Thoresen for £12.5 million. The commission's referral in June stemmed from P & O's purchase last Christmas of 50.1 per cent of a company owning a fifth of European Ferries. Sir Jeffrey joined the European Ferries board.

Sir Jeffrey Sterling's P & O and European Ferries went straight into merger talks yesterday after a complete clear-ance by the Monopolies and was killed in a flying accident in 1022 Mr. Ken Saddle with Mergers Commission of in 1983. Mr Ken Siddle, who P & O's control of a fifth of stepped up to the chair, handed the reins to Mr Geoffrey Parker, former head of Felixstowe Dock, in July and resigned as managing director

in October. European Ferries made a £4 million loss against a previous £6 million profit in the traditionally lean first half of the year and profits for the full year are likely to fall short of last year's £48 million.

P & O. valued at £t.7 hillion, has already had an acquisitive year, buying out other interests in the OCL container group for £190 million and paying £380 million for Stock Conversion.



Sir Jeffrey Sterling: £300m takeover bid likely

# 'Irregular deals' at Exco branch

By John Bell, City Editor

Exco International, one of disagreement with the board "dealing irregularities" at one of its subsidiaries, Municipal Brokers, which deals in local

authority loans.
The City of London Fraud Squad was notified two days ago. A spokesman said the matter was not being treated as a case of insider dealing.

Exco has recently agreed terms of a £670 million takeover from the British &

Commonwealth Shipping Co, now headed by Mr John Gunn. Mr Gunn was a founder of Exco seven years ago and is credited with being largely

responsible for its rapid growth ever since.

He left Exco slightly more than a year ago after a

London's largest money bro- over his amhitious expansion king groups, last night dis-closed that it had discovered B & C, where he took over as chief executive last month and almost immediately launched the bid for Exco.

Exco said the dealing irregularities involved former employees who appeared to have benefited personally from the transactions.

No details were given but Exco pledged that it would compensate any clients who had suffered when the full details of the losses were

calculated. No estimate of the size of the losses has been given hut Exco said they were "not

material in group terms". The transactions concerned are being investigated by the company lawyers

## AE attack on asbestos claims

By Cliff Feltham

AE, the engineering group, jaunched another bitter attack last night on Turner & Newall was floated in October.
Using the £1,300 average application, the public British offer of 1.61 hillion shares for refusing to give details of its exposure to claims relating to asbestos-related disease.

Newall which closes tomor- attorney generals of several row, said it had become aware states.

of further "disturbing facts" relating to the company's potential exposure. Sir John Collyear, AE's chairman, who is backing a rival hid from Mr Robert Maxwell's Hollis group, said asbestos manufacturers were likely to be under continued attrack from lioga-AE, which is fighting a continued attrack from lioga-takeover bid from Turner & tion in the US after action by

He said a Turner & Newall asbestos-based insulation product was in use in 22 states. He said he understood that at a key meeting next week all US attorney generals were likely to be urged to get together to co-operate in

claims Hollis has taken its stake in AE up to 29 per cent.

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£818m lightning newspaper takeover

## Murdoch's media buy

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

Mr Rupert Murdoch appears on the verge of a major after a lightning takeover cam-Weekly Times group.

The board of the Melhourne-hased group an-nounced last night that it would recommend acceptance of an Australian \$1.8 billion (£818m) takeover offer which presages a major shake-up within Australia's influential media fraternity.

"It would be wrong to deny that it is an emotional mo-

Mr Murdoch indicated that in order to make the ac- Australia with a 5pm deadline quisition his News Corporation might sell four of its local bourne group has resisted television channels. The most recent takeover bids - by the likely bidders in any sale Fairfax organization, Mr would be Mr Robert Holmes à Kerry Packer and Mr Holmes Court and Mr Alan Bond, à Court, Mr Murdoch made both of whom have extensive an unsuccessful offer in 1979. media holdings.

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under draft legislation framed by the Hawke government to limit the influence of the Australian media owners, although Mr Murdoch is now an The offer of A\$12 cash

circulation and money. Under the terms of the lents in convertible notes or News Corporation shares was made yesterday morning in for acceptance. The Melsame area.

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& Turner & Newall PLC

FINAL OFFER FOR  $extsf{AE}_{ extsf{PLC}}$ 

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THE RENEWED OFFER IS FINAL AND WILL CLOSE AT 1.00 p.m. ON 5th DECEMBER, 1986 UNLESS IT IS THEN UNCONDITIONAL AS TO

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**ACCEPTANCES** 

The values of the offer are based on the price of 184p per Turner & Neurall oromany share at 3.30 p.m. on 3rd Oecember. 1986

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Frankfurt: 2079.0 (+25.1) Commerzbank ...... 2079,0 (+25.1) Brussels: 

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new media deal in Australia paign for the Herald and

Yesterday's move restores a

family connection - Sir Keith Murdoch, father of Mr Rupert Murdoch, headed the Herald group until his death in 1952. ment for me," Mr Murdoch told a news conference as he American citizen. announced his bid to add the group to his film, television, newspaper and magazine in-

Sale of the television chan- to resist against the backnels, while off-setting the take- ground of the group's financial

over cost, may be required difficulties. The Herald and

Weekly Times organization has been one of Australia's most profitable media empires as well as being its largest but the flagship of the group, The Herald, has been losing (£5.45) per share or equiva-

proposed media legislation, which has been designed to check a drift towards interests being concentrated in the hands of a few individuals or organizations it will not be possible to own newspapers and television stations m the

affect existing holdings. But if Yesterday's offer was hard passed it will probably require News Corporation to sell the television components.

# AE: a company at bay

How engineering group AE tried to repel a £270m hostile bid from Turner & Newall found an unlikely white knight in

Robert Maxwell

. . . and now awaits its fate

One of the longest and mostbitter takeover battles draws to a climax tomorrow with the close of the £270 million offer by Turner & Newall, the asbes-tos group, for AE the engineer-

ing company.

As it does, the curtain will come down on an extraordinary saga which has had all the ingredients of a bestselling corporate thriller.

The struggle for cootrol of an unfashionable engineering business has besmirched the reputation of a leading mer-chant bank and stockbroking firm and generated the worst scandal of insider dealing to hit the City.

The conclusion will be a nail-bitiog affair. Turner & Newall believes it affair. has enough backing from City institutions to lift its present stake in AE from 42 per cent to over the crucial 50 per cent

But the tug-of-war for AE has also beralded the arrival of publisher Mr Robert Maxwell's Hollis Group which bas now inched its way to a 29 per

cent holding.
There was certainly little hint of the dramatic developments to come when, in June, Turner & Newall, under the chairmanship of Sir Francis Tombs, launched a bostile £196 million bid for AE. It was in itself a remarkable

step for Turner & Newall which had only just recovered from a position of near collapse. The share price had plunged as it faced mounting claims from the victims of

It was keen to reduce its dependence oo mining and its reliance on earnings from



Tombs (left) and Maxwell: engineering a nail-biting tug-of-war before the close of the bid. As

Africa and India and saw a tieup with AE - both companies left owning 29 per cent of AE. Its failure appeared to support the view of Sir John Collyear had motor component divisions — as a way out of its AE fought back fiercely. It that City institutions were at

claimed it was doing all right on its own — a change from the weakened state it had been in during 1983 when it agreed to a bid from GKN only to have the merger blocked by the Monopolies Commission.

The market scented blood and the possibilities of an

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

auction for AE. Turner & Newall said the acquisition would help to make AE more competitive in world markets. Sir John Collyear, chairman of AE, poured scorn on the asbestos group, describing it as a company "beset by inherent

and serious problems. After the ritualistic abuse Turner & Newall fired in a blockbuster final "take it or leave it" offer worth £247

"A desperate last move," retorted AE. But despite the fighting talk

from the two knights, the stock market thought that Turner & Newall stood a good chance of success. But on September 12 when the offer closed it emerged that Turner & Newall had come within a whisker of victory with 49 per cent.

After stripping ont accep-tances Turner & Newall was

least prepared to stand by managements in defending But just as hostilities appeared to cease, so there was an immediate counterblast from Turner & Newall. They complained to the Takeover

Panel that a crucial block of shares in AE had been bought

soon as the bid lapsed these shares were sold at a considerable loss - because AE shares not unexpectedly fell after the Turner & Newall offer failed. After an inquiry lasting a month the Takeover Panel

cried foul. It allowed Turner & Newall to launch a oew bid and censured AE's merchant bank advisers. Hill Samuel, and the blue-blooded stockbroking firm, Cazenove, for their tactics during the



T&N 'beset by inherent and serious problems'

AE's Sir John Collyear on the hostile bid

Hill Samuel criticized for failing to disclose arrangements with its own investment management department and two clearing banks to indemnify them against losses arising if they did not accept the bid.

And it hit at Cazenove for failing to disclose purchases by Midland Bank, AE's principal banker, under the arrangement It was the hardest hitting criticism of a group of City institutions in living memory coming just as Big

Bang erupted Less than a week later Robert Maxwell — through Hollis, a subsidiary of Pergamon, his master company - emerged as the white knight and announced a £266 million agreed bid for the

As one analyst put it: "AE complained about lack of industrial logic getting into bed with Turner & Newall Quite why they are prepared to get together with Mr Maxwell is beyond me."

Mr Maxwell claimed that he

wanted to build a group based on science and high technology. He said that Hollis had been looking to acquire specialist engineering com-panies but it lacked the necessary quality of management to run such an enterprise.

Turner & Newall then bounced back, with a cash and shares offer, claiming support from unnamed parties who could deliver a further 14 per cent to add to the near 30 per cent it held already. Mr Maxwell later raised the

value of his cash offer to 280p and with share buying has now bumped this np to the 29 per cent level.

As the struggle intensified in the City there was another astonishing twist to the affair.
Mr Geoffrey Collier was
forced to resign from Morgan
Grenfell, the merchant bank,
as allegations of insider dealing in AE shares swept the City. He has been charged with offences connected with trading in AE shares.

The stage is now set for a grandstand finale. If Turner & Newall fails to get past the 50 per cent level when acceptances are announced tomorrow Mr Maxwell and his Hollis Group, whose offer still has sometime to run, will have victory in its grasp.

Cliff Feltham

(ECONOMIC VIEW)

# Public spending ensnared in the pay bill warren

ithough the teachers pay dispute is still not pay dispute is still not over one thing is clear: settlement is not going to be cheap. As the other unions in the public sector draw up their demands they will be well aware that the teachers have been offered 16.4 per cent. Many of them may be tempted to base their claims on the simple premise of "me

A surge in public sector pay would put new pressure on public spending next year. In extremis, this could force the Government to increase the provision for spending on certain programmes. More likely, either the danger of an overrun on the recently increased figures for next year will be raised, or more of the available funds will be preempted by pay, leaving less for politically appealing improve-

ments in services. Spending in the bospital service, for instance, is planned to rise next year by about 6 per cent in cash terms. That has to cover real improvements in services, the increase in demand from a growing number of elderly people in the population and higher equipment prices as well as increases in wages and

Improvements in efficiency will yield some extra cash. But any increase in the pay bill above 4 per cent is not likely to leave much to meet the increase in demand. Of course better paid, and therefore presumably better motivated, nurses and doctors represent a real improvement in the

health service. But that is not what most people mean by spending more on health.

Fixing pay levels in the public sector has long been a problem without a solution. Governments have tended to dither like rabbits caught in the twin headlights of public spending scruniny and concern for the effects of lengthy strikes in public services.

The effect of this combination of economic and political pressures over the years has been to establish a warren of different methods of resolving public-sector pay problems. In. the public services, that is excluding the nationalized industries and other trading bodies, there are at least four distinct models.

• Collective bargaining: This is the basic model covering the civil service, NHS ancillaries and technicians, and many

local authority employees. The large increases handed out by the Clegg Committee in 1980 confirmed the Government's determination to move away from the formal system of pay research and comparability with the private sector for the civil service back to a simple system of collective bargaining, which is the closest approach to allowing market forces to set pay levels. Apart from the dispute in the NHS in 1982, which led to

Increases in pay between 1980 and 1986

Constable (max)....+86% Nursing sister.....+58% Teacher (grade 1)...+69% Civil servant.....+40%

the setting up of the nurses pay review body, there have been no big strikes among these groups. But in spite of the relative industrial peace the Government has felt obliged to go on examining the possibility of constraining bargaining with the civil service unions within certain limits based on trends in pay in the economy as a whole.

Although the formula under discussion has proved unattractive to the unions, the compulsion to set bargaining within a fixed framework remains.

● Teachers: Pay arrangements for teachers have been based on collective bargaining within the Burnham Committee. But, until last year, the Government had a veto on the total sum of money involved through the "concordat" with the local authority employers.

Under the new arrangements proposed in last week's bill, the Education Secretary will decide pay rates and pay scales advised by a committee and following consultation with unions and employers.

The advisory committee differs from a review body in being subject to direction from the Education Secretary as to the total cost of any award. It is also explicitly temporary.

 Review bodies. The review bodies are non-statutory, inlependent bodies which advise the ministers concerned on appropriate settlements after taking evidence from Government and unions.

but in practice it is difficult to ence with the recommended settlements is usually limited to phasing in the awards.

The exception is top salaries where the politics usually operate in the reverse directioo favouring cuts in the award. There are four review bodies covering about one million people: nurses, doctors and dentists, the armed forces and top salaries, judges. generals and senior civil

The purpose of these bodies

is to distance the Government from the business of setting pay rates for groups of workers with a high degree of public sympathy, and to give people who either cannot or do not strike some confidence that

their pay will not lag behind. The reviews try to take account of market factors like affordability, and recruitment and retention pressures.

• Indexation: Still more removed from the pressures of the labour market are two groups of public servants who enjoy automatic indexation of their pay, the police and the firemen. Police pay is kept in line with the underlying change in average earnings in the economy as a result of the Edmund Davies report in

In theory the Home Secretary can overrule the formula but in practice there is an informal concordat between the Government, the local anthority employers and the Police Federation to apply the formula. The arrangement comes up for review next September. The firemen owe their privileged position to the strike of 1977, which was resolved by promising them a fixed position in the male, manual earnings league.

he strong element of comparability in setting pay scales, which continues in much of the public sector, will make it more difficult to resist the knock-on effects of whatever deal is finally agreed with the

The review bodies are beginning their work now for completion in April and will be under pressure to take the settlement into account when thev make recommendations.

For economic efficiency the best buy in pay bargaining systems must be the one inisters are not obliged to accept their recomme odations collective bargaining does out prevent leap-frogging and may in moomfortable it is nevertheless the process most likely to balance demand for high quality public servants with available supply at the proper

> Recent history suggests that the more the Government ioterferes with collective bargaining for political reasons the more it ends up paying over the odds.

> > Rodney Lord **Economics Editor**

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\*Before extraordinary loss \$12.9m (1985; \$11.6m)

Preliminary announcement of results for the period ended 27th September 1986.

#### Record profits in an eventful year

Chairman and Chief Executive, Neil Shaw, reports:

■ Eighth successive year of profit growth.

■ Monopolies Commission decision on bid for S. & W. Berisford/British Sugar is expected shortly.

■ EEC Commission is reviewing European cane refining costs and margins.

■ New calorie-free sweetener "sucralose" goes to government authorities for approval.

■ Profitable first year for Western Sugar Company. Two additional beet plants acquired.

■ Continuing acquisitions and expansion in automotive parts division in North America.

UK refineries. Associated costs of rationalisation taken as an extraordinary loss.

■ New packing machinery for

■ Prospects are both challenging and exciting.

Copies of the Annual Report for the period ended 27th September 1986 will be mailed to shareholders shortly and will be available from:

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FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR TO 30th AUGUST 1986.

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#### EXTRACTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The year was another year of significant achievement, with continued expansion and consolidation of the Agriculture. Food and Related Industries Division, which contributed £65 million to profit on ordinary activities before taxation on turnover of £191.5 million. Further expansion of packing and packaging facilities in Turkey and Northern Cyprus enabled an increased volume and range of products to be handled whilst high quality standards were maintained. Margins remained strong in all markets but showed a small overall reduction doe to sales mix and the continued drive for penetration into European markets.

The Consumer Electronics Division had a very successful year with pre-tax profit rising to £4.1 million and sales almost doubling to £47.6 million. CTVs remained Vestel's major product in terms of volume, while Vestel's strong market position was firmly consolidated in audio equipment and video recorders/ players. New product ranges introduced included home computer. bi-fi and compact disc playing equipment and further extensions are planued.

The Textile Division recorded turnover of £34.6 million

and profit on ordinary activities before taxation of £1.3 million. Despite market weaknesses in certain areas, considerable strides were made both during the year and subsequently with the expansion of the Division's presence in USA and Hung kong hy internal growth and acquisition. The Division now holds a significant position in the US and European markets and plans to develop these further.

Plans for the construction of a 5-star tourist hotel at Autalya in Southern Turkey have been finalised and the Group is to participate in a venture for the distribution of L'Oreal toiletries and cosmetics in Turkey.

Business during the current year has opened well. The Board looks forward to developing the international scope and balance of the Group's activities. Following the completion of the Adana project in Turkey. Group resources will increasingly be channelled into selective expansion in the UK. Europe and the far East. As an indication of its confidence in the fulner, the Beard has decided to recommend a scrip issue of l new ordinary

Copies of the full Chairman's statement may be obtained from the Secretary, Pully Perk International PLC, 81-91 Commercial Road, London El 18D.

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The growing insider trading fears continued to hang like a cloud over the City yesterday with both dealers and fund managers becoming increasingly nervous. Wild speculation continued and the fears which started Geoffrey Collier from Morgan

with the dismissal of Mr Grenfell and have now been extended to Guinness following its £2.1 billion bid for Distillers earlier this year are becoming more intense. Yesterday's news that the fraud squad had been called into Municipal Brokers, a subsidiary of Exco International, the money broker, to investigate certain "dealing irregularities" by former employees only served to unsettle the market still further.

As a result, the equity market decided to discount the 43-point rise overnight on Wall Street where the Dow Jones industrial average hit a new high and the Government's best showing in the opinion polls for almost two years. Turnover was again down to a trickle with some brokers criticizing the institutions for lack of courage and their decision to remain entrenched on the sidelines.

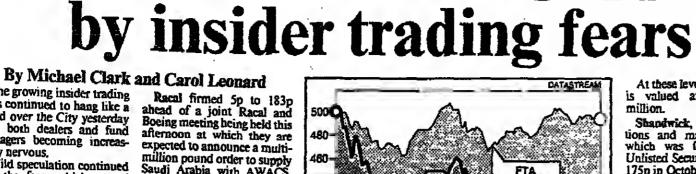
"This market could be 40 points higher if only the institutions would show some initiative," complained one leading broker. Another added: The trouble is at the moment everyone wants to be seen whiter than white." But until the worries about

insider dealing subside, the chances of the traditional pre-Christmas rally are growing remoter. The FT 30 share index recovered some of its poise towards the close finishing 9.3

down at 1,269.1, while the FT-SE 100 share index lost 10.4 at 1,615.1 after opening 1.7 up. There was a little more cheer for investors on the giltedged market where prices closed with gains ranging to £1/2 at the longer end helped by a confident performance by

the pound on the foreign Most leaders gave up early gains with Hawker Siddeley ending the day 6p lower at 435p, British Telecom down 2p to 194p, Beecham and Glaxo down the same amount to 416p and 920p and Lucas

3p easier at 468p. On the unofficial "grey" market partly-paid British Gas shares were being bought at 56p, just a 6p premium to



afternoon at which they are expected to announce a multimillion pound order to supply Saudi Arabia with AWACS, their airborne early warning system. The order will secure jobs for Racal's employees in Britain and Racal and Boeing hope that it will put pressure on the Government to accept AWACS in preference to the Nimrod system proposed by GEC and British Aerospace. GEC slipped 2p to !66p as several brokers lowered their

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profit forecasts for the full year, following its disappointing interim figures on Tues-day. Wood Mackenzie has reduced its forecast for the year to March 1987 from £725 million to £690 million, against £701 million last time.

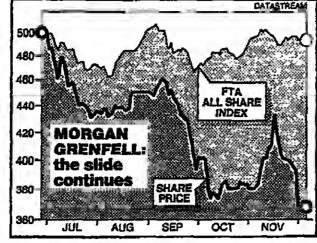
BTR, currently behind a hostile £1.2 billion takeover hid for Pilkington Brothers,

 Keep an eye on Century Oils Group, the Inbricants manufacturer. Yesterday it stood apart from an otherwise bombed-out looking oil sector, hardening a penny to 128p. The stock has been firm, despite disappointing interim results a week ago. Some say Burmah is building a stake and will soon bid.

the glass manufacturer. slipped 3p to 272p, despite reports of heavy support buying by Barclays de Zoete Wedd and Smith Newcourt. A total of 3.5 million shares went through the market. At one stage during the afternoon BZW was offering to buy stock at a 2p premium to other market-makers.

Pilkington eased 4p to 613p. The DTI investigation into share dealings at Guinness continued to play havoc with the share price of its financial adviser. Morgan Grenfell, which was again marked sharply lower first thing.

It was Morgan Grenfell that helped steer Guinness to victory in its fiercely contested battles for control of the whisky groups Arthur Bell and Distillers, Dealers fear that the merchant bank may now become implicated in the affair and that could have an adverse impact on the group's



no truth in it (possible investigation). It is just market

firmed it has no objections to P&O's purchase of a 20.8 per

cent stake in rival European

Ferries as forecast in this

Corporation, n US financial

Trust run by Mr Nick Oppenheim, Speculators pre-dict a full bid for Argyle,

services group, has a near 5 per cent stake in Argyle

capitalized at £16 million,

on No comment on ru-

mours, says Mr Oppenheim. Argyle firmed 1p to 82p.

column on Tuesday.

Shares of both companies

following the announcement. P&O deferred were halted at

523p and the warrants at

150p. Trading in European

Ferries was frozen at 122p. Marketmen are bracing them-

selves for terms of an agreed

bid later today.

in December last year.

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the same time, defending its clients from unwanted bids.

(STOCK MARKET)

Worried investors gripped

But the City's love affair with Morgan Grenfell turned sour in July following its stock market debut. The striking firmed it has no objections to price of 500p was described by many in the City as expensive and coincided with a sudden downturn in the level of "mega bid" activity. Many of the big fund managers, who were encouraged to take up the shares, are now sitting on heavy losses and this week's news from Guinness cut short what was proving to be the first sustained rally in the shares since its flotation.

Morgan Grenfell was moved yesterday to deny rumours of boardroom resignations. "There is no question of it," said a spokesman who went on to confirm that the group had received a visit from the DTI investigators.

The denial enabled the shares to close above their worst levels of the day, but they still finished 12p down at a new low of 356p, after 347p. Last week the price was trad-ing at about the 420p level.

Guinness also continued to lose ground and, at one stage, hit a new low of 275p before reducing the loss to 7p at 279p by the close. The price has now fallen 52p, so far, this

Meanwhile, fears that an investigation may soon be launched into share dealines at Standard Chartered, the international banking group, following its successful defence against an unwanted £1.2 billion bid from rival Lloyds Bank produced a few nervous sellers with the price Over the past couple of level it closed 41p lower at years Morgan Grenfell has 778p, wiping more than £60 built up a reputation second to million from Standard's stock none in the City for executing market value. A spokesman aggressive takeovers while, at for Standard said: There is

At these levels, Euro Ferries is valued at about £275

Shandwick, the public relations and marketing group which was floated on the Unlisted Securities Market at 175p in October last year and graduated to a full listing last month, is looking cheap at 340p, according to advertising analyst, Miss Lorna Tilbian, at Sheppards & Chase, the broker. She is recommending the stock as a "strong buy".

Following the announcement of four acquisitions on Friday - two in Britain and two in the US - Miss Tilhian has raised her profit forecast for the current year to July 1987, from £2.2 million to £3.1 million. For next year she has lifted it from £3 million 10 £4.5 million.

She says: "It is on a p/e of 12.5 at the moment and 9.5 to July 1988, which makes it very cheap. The share price may have almost doubled since its flotation but it's not all on hot air. They made five acquisitions last year as well."

Elsewhere among agencies Reuters B shares climbed 15p to 583p on American support Carlton Communications firmed 5p to 975p, while Saatchi & Saatchi dropped 13p to 672p on profit-taking ahead of its final figures out later today. The company has forecast profits of £67.9 million but analysts are looking for £70 million.

were suspended first thing Unconfirmed reports that the Iraqi's may offer to be the swing producer at next weeks Opec meeting, gave an early boost to BP and Shell, but both failed to sustain it. Shell jumped 1 ip to 953p and then drifted back to a 3p gain at 949p. BP turned a 4p rise into P&O paid £36 million for its a penny loss, leaving its shares riginal stake in Euro Ferries at 677p. IC Gas dipped Sp to

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## Floating note market sinks alarmingly

were recorded yesterday in an orous with each passing day.
exotic but very important market. P & O would gain Feli Prices of euro-dollar floating rate notes which had been weak for the four preceding trading days succumbed to panic selling in the morning and the market ceased to function.

A meeting was hastily convened at the offices of Shearson Lehman, attended by some 40 market-makers. Only after they agreed, with misgivings, to quote much wider dealing spreads and to deal in smaller quantities, were dealings resumed. Prices however continued to fall, especialy of the perpetual floating rates notes (like War Loan their effective redemption date is eternity). We have here the makings of a financial storm in which certain banks holding FRNs - they are classed as money market instruments — might get

For the time being the Bank of England is standing calmly, but no doubt vigilantly, on the touch-line. The Bank refused to intervene on the grounds that it was up to the market to sort out its own problems. It also decided that it was too early to say whether this "market phenomenon" would have any implications for British clearing banks' use of perpetual FRNs as a source of primary capital.

The Bank altered its guidelines in 1984 to permit banks to enlarge their capital base by issuing this kind of paper. Two that have had recourse to perpetual FRNs are Royal Bank of Scotland and National Westminster

It is not yet wholly clear why this market has got the jitters though it must be related to anxiety among dealers about where prices are heading, particu-larly if the Japanese, normally major buyers of FRNs after the turn of the year, are not in the mood to buy.

P & O ferries ahead he Monopolies Commisssion has

given an open invitation to P & O to bid for Enropean Ferries. Sir Jeffrey Sterling and his new opposite number Geoffrey Parker bave lost no time in taking it up. Sir Jeffrey is unlikely to be satisfied with less than an agreed bid. We shall see this morning.

cross-channel ferry business, though income tax down to the target level of 25 able to stand up for itself in the percent almost in one go. customer market, could look sick in the of course, it will do no such thing stock market as Eurotunnel looms. It ahead of an election. Indeed before the could do with the protection of a wider last election the ceiling on mortgage grouping to fund competition, lead interest relief was raised. But if tax rationalization or, if necessary, provide reform is to make further real progress opportunities for redeployment of in the next Parliament, then it will have short-term profits. And there is no to be in the context of a balanced doubt that Sir Jeffrey would stand a package. The future of mortgage interest better chance of coping with the relief will have to be examined very problems of those Houston and Denver closely in the context of that package.

arth tremors of serious magnitude properties that have looked less glam-

P&O would gain Felixstowe, a valuable asset nobly fostered by Mr Parker but no longer free from cares and competition, plus a collection of earn-ings and assets likely to be valued higher by the stock market under P & O's wing. The potential for integration of transport should not be underestimated. P & O's Ferrymasters takes 55 per cent of the space in its own - presently Ipswich-based - North Sea freight ferry. It is also a big Townsend Thoresen customer and OCL uses Felixstowe as a trans-shipment port for the Continent. Across the Channel, in particular, P&O could create powerful support for the ferry husiness or exercise hefty leverage over Eurotunnel.

The logic is overwhelming. The price P & O is prepared to pay is probably

#### No relief for MIR

n his autumn statement, the Chancellor, Nigel Lawson, announced an increase of 3.3 per cent in public spending plans for next year. He was rudely and rightly barracked. But how many larger increases in tax expenditures have gone completely un-

Tax expenditures are the cost of tax reliefs to the Government's revenue. One of the largest of them is mortgage interest relief whose cost in terms of lost revenue has increased from £2,456 million in 1982-83 to £4,750 million in 1985-86. In its latest report, the Public Accounts Committee shrewdly com-ments that although this relief, like others of its kind, has to be an openended commitment determined by demand, it should nevertheless be subject to the same kind of monitoring and control as other demand-determined spending like social security. The PAC has a point. If the Govern-

ment and our legislators took as much interest in the cost of tax expenditures as they do about spending on the other side of the accounts, then the pressure for tax reform would be greater. The trend in tax reform worldwide is to remove special reliefs and use the revenue to bring down rates. If the Government A party would certainly make sense did away with mortgage interest relief for rudderless European Ferries. Its then it could bring the basic rate of

#### WALL STREET Early setback for Dow New York (Reuter) - Wall 86% and American Express

Street shares dipped in early active trading yesterday after the previous day's surge.

There was a great deal of selling pressure, which one trader called a momentary destraction from yesterday's The Dow Jones industrial

average was down 4.22 points at 1.951.35. Declining issues led shares by a small margin, on a volume of 47 million Exxon was down 5/s to 697/k.

General Electric was np 11/2 to

was up 1 to 60%.

Viacom, at 4114, was up 14 United Technology was down 1/4 nt 451/2. May Department Stores was unchanged at 40. Pacific Gas and Electric was up 1/4 to 26 and MCA was

down 1/4 to to 351/4. Hewlett Packard was down 16 to 45% and H J Heinz was unchanged at 431/2.

down 1/4 to 421/4. Alcoa was

at 213.09, were np 1.38. Stocks were down 0.83 at 767.06.

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in Britain. The two companies have agreed takeover terms which value Crouch at £27.9 million. The transportation average was up 3.23 at 862.07, utilities The bid already has the back-ing of shareholders owning 48 per cent of Crouch, including the 44.3 per cent stake held by the founder. Mr Derek Crouch, and his family interests. The new group, to be known as Coal Holdings, would produce about 2.75 million tonnes of coal a year, of which Ryan is offering 157 shares 1.3 million comes from underground, opencast and tiprecovery sources in Britain. The remainder comes from Bank has also underwritten a Ryan's tip recovery operaowned by Crouch in Pennsylvania. Non-coal opera- hid approach on Nove tions, such as Ryan's building 18, fell back 5p to 213p.

## Ryan buys Crouch for £27.9 million

Ryan International, the coal supplies division and Austra-irm which was rescued after lian property interests owned firm which was rescued after the end of the miners' strike by Crouch, might be sold off. last year, is taking over the Mr Christian Hotson of Derek Crouch group to form Ryan, who will become chief what the two companies claim

executive of Coal Holdings, will be the largest private coal-mining and distribution group said the merger would in-crease the companies' standing in the coal industry. "You need size and strength

to negotiate in an industry dominated by two monopolies like the CEGB and British Coal," he said. The combined group would benefit whether a Labour

government were elected and put more money into coal or if the industry were liberalized by a third Conservative administration, be added.

for every 20 Crouch, valuing Crouch at 220p after its own shares shed '/sp to 28p. County cash offer at 215.9p. Crouch shares, which have risen sharply since it announced a hid approach on November

## BankAmerica sells Italian operation

New York (Reuter) -BankAmerica Corporation, the bank holding company which has been struggling with substantial losses, announced yesterday it has agreed to sell its Italian operation to Deutsche Bank, West Germany's largest bank, for \$603 million

(£421 million).
The sale of Banca d'America e d'Italia (BAI) had been expected for some time as part of BankAmerica's strategy of selling assets. BAI has 98 branches, about

with assets of \$4.2 billion.

Francisco and now the target of a \$3.4 billion takeover hid by First Interstate Bancorp, has been seiling off assets in an effort to cut losses and improve its chances of remaining independent. It said it expected a pretax

gain of more than \$250 million on the BAI deal.

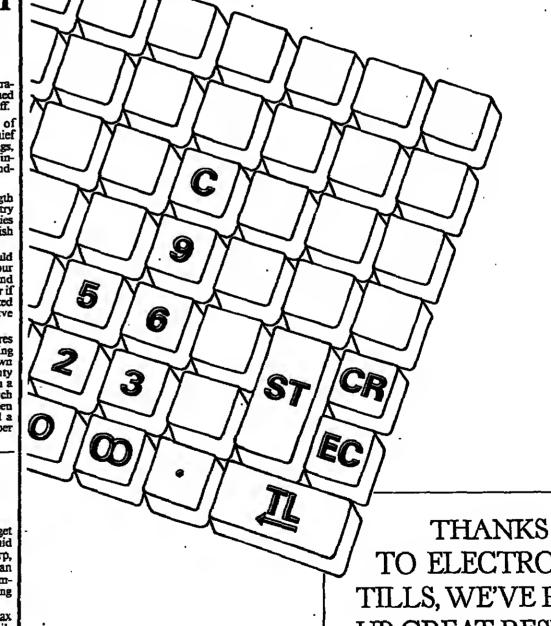
The bank's profitable Charlles Schwab and Co discount brokerage operation is also on the block.

BankAmerica said earlier this month it planned to sell 3,000 employees, and is the assets worth between \$7 hileighth-largest bank in Italy tion and \$8 billion in the next BankAmerica, based in San two quarters.

## l'ighter steel quotas

Brussels (AP-Dow Jones) mmunity Commission yesterday said it was tightening production quotas for a range of steel products in the first quarter of 1987 amid signs that demand for steel will

The commission said com-The European Economic Co-panies were reducing stocks of products whose sales possibilities were "overvalued." And sales of steel products have been harmed by the slowdown in investment in the oil industry, it said.



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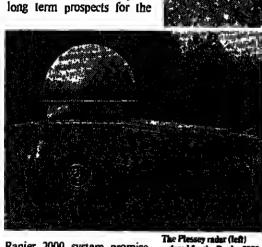
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## Plessey wins £75m radar contract for Rapier 2000

supply the new surveillance and target acquisition radar for the Rapier 2000 air defence missile system recently ordered by the UK Ministry of Defence.

The initial contract is worth over £75 million to Plessey but



Rapier 2000 system promise significantly larger orders in the

The new radar, under developroent for more than five years, marks the Plessey entry into the growing market for low-level air defence systems. It will provide three-

dimensional surveillance, target acquisitioo and tracking. It gives Rapier 2000 a precise

and accurate means of acquiring targets, even in an electronic counter-measure environment, over a wide envelope of elevation, range, bearing and velocity.

Plessey-developed technologies have proved to be fundamental to the new radar's

#### MERCURY ORDERS PLESSEY FIBRE OPTICS

Two contracts for optical fibre transmissioo systems together worth approximately £1.5m have been awarded by Mercury Communications Limited to Plessey.

Both orders are for System 565 - the Plessey 565 Mbit/s system which can carry 7680 simultaneous telephone calls or the equivalent in data or video over a single pair of optical fibres.

The first contract is to supply, install, test and commission systems for Mercury's East Coast network. This route will

link London and Edinburgh via Peterborough, York, Leeds and Newcastle

The second contract is for 30 terminals and five intermediate equipments for Mercury network expansion.

#### Semics so impressed Monash they recommended it to Macquarie. Only some weeks ago, move ahead another ISDX network custoroer, the National Road Motorists' Association of

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At Electronica '86 recently, nonnced the introduction of more than fifty new products during the oext six mooths. These include bipolar gate

arrays, converters and FM receiver systems, and also CMOS devices. One bipolar device on display - 8 3.5GHz prescaler -

outperforms gallium arsenide

equivalents for a quarter of

Plessey believes that this is the first silicon device of its kind which can operate at such a high frequency. It represents a twoyear lead in commercial and military markets.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Shandwick Consultants: Mr Richard Sermon has become chairman, with Mr Colin Trusler as deputy managing director, and Mr Robin Callender Smith, Mr Simon Clark and Mr Keith Lockwood as directors. Mr Tim Pendry will join the board

on January 3.

Gateway Building Society:
Mr John Crowe has been elected chairman, succeeding Lord Luke from January 1. Sharp Electronics (UK): Mr T Inone has become chairmso. succeeding Mr T Mitsuda who becomes chair-man of Sharp Electronics Corporation, USA.



John Crowe

Mobil Oil Company: Mr D J Riordan has been named finance director, succeeding Mr R L Howard

James Capel Bankers: Mr R A Nigel Henley has been made managing director, succeeding Mr Rick Smith.
Hooeywell Cootrol Systems: Mr K H Urquhart becomes director, manufac-

turing automation. Midland Baok Equity Group: Mr Hugh de Quervain has been appointed managing director, succeeding Mr John Beevor. Mr Roger Heath, Mr David Hutchings and Mr Ian Taylor become deputy manag-ing directors. Mr John Bran-don, Mr David Casstles, Mr Dennis Freedman and Mr Alan Marsh are made exec-



Lord Luke

Murray Johnstone: Mr Graham Barclay and Mr A Charles Clapperton have joined the board.

Jetset Tours: Mr Allan Deller has been made managing director from January 1. Binder Hamlyn: Mr Robert Matusiewicz has ben admitted

as a partner. Loodon Metal Exchange: Mr John Wolff has been elected chairman with Mr Clement Danin as vice-

Allen Computers: Mr Ray Pipe has been made managing director, succeeding Mr David

#### COMPANY NEWS

• GRAINGER TRUST: Final dividend was 6.2p, making 8.0p

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for the year to September 30.

Figures in £000. Turnover was 7,134 (5.839), property expenses were 1,649 (1,368). Interest payable was 2,484 (2,208). Profit

before tax was 2.518 (1,926), tax

was 907 (765) and earnings per share were 32.4p on a weighted

• MOUNTVIEW ESTATES: Figures in £000 for six months

to September 30. Interim was In

(4,131) and profit before tax was 3,241 (2,835). Tax was 1,296.

**EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %** 

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**DOLLAR SPOT RATES** 

Gold:\$392.25-392.75 Krugerrand\* (per com): \$ 390.00-393.00 (£272.25-274.50)

Sovereigns" (new): \$ 92.00-93.00 (264.25-65.00 )

Platinum \$ 476.00 (£332.65 ) "Excludes VAT

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

terling index compared with 1975 was up at 67.8 (day's range 67.9-68.1).

average [26.6p).

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

DUCTION SERVICES: Figures in £000 for the year to April 30. No final dividend (Ip). Turnover was 3,205 (3,481), loss before the year 1,460 (146). • FITZWILTON: Figures for the year to June 30 in Irf. Dividend was Ip making 2p. Turnover was 2,795,273 (6,551,580), pretax profit was 87.115 (1.064.795) and tax was 135,551 (217,984). Earnings per share were 3,93p. Dividend payable January 9.
• ROLFE & NOLAN COMPUTER SERVICES: Interim dividend was Ip (iii) for six mooths to August 31. Figures in £000s. Turnover was 1,102 before tax was 1,469 (146 profit), tax was 1 (9). Loss after tax was 1,470 (137 profit). Loss per share, net basis, was 20.57p (2.02p earning). Increased turnover and cost savings are expected to improve the position during second half of the year.

mooths to August 31. Figures in £000s. Turnover was 1.102 (1.357), rading profit before depreciation was 281 (244), pretax profit was 141 (25 loss) and tax was 49 (nil). Earnings per share were 3.6p (1.0p loss). The improvement in profit is experted to continue during the second half of the year.

• AAH HOLDINGS: Figures in £000 for the half year to September 30. Turnover was 488,613 (460,768), trading profit was 10.190 (8.846), pretax profit was 8.780 (6.809) and tax was 3.073 (2.724). Earnings per share were 9.70p (7.54p).

• BIRMINGHAM MINT GROUP: Progress was made in

GROUP: Progress was made in all parts of the group. The electrical components business improved its margins, and the recent wire products acquisition was successfully integrated and

was successfully integrated and brought to a satisfactory level of profitability.

The group has reached agreement with Johnson Matthey Metals to purchase its electrical contacts business at Wembley, Lander for each consist.

contacts business at Wembley, London, for a cash consideration of £3.01 million.

• ALLIED COLLOIDS GROUP: Interim dividend was 1p (0.7p) for the half year to September 27. Figures in £000. Profit before tax was 12,749 (8,234). Tax was 5,006 (2,869). Earnings were 7,743 (5,365) and

#### More company news is on page 25

earnings per share were 6.15p (4.27p). Demand for the group's products continues to grow and the company expects further im-THE INTEC GROUP: Results for year to March 31 in £000. Net turnover was 9,307 (10,456), trading loss was 257 (profit 304), loss before tax was 972 (581). Loss per share was 440 (3,60). 8.4p (3.6p).

• ALTIFUND: Final interim dividend for the period between April 1 and December 4 is 5.32p April 1 and December 4:53.22p per meome share of 25p oo 4,800,000 in issue, and 0.266p per capital share of 25p on 3,200,000 in issue. • ROWLINSON SECURI-TIES: Figures in £s for the six months to September 30. Interim dividend was 0.2p (0.18125p), turnover was 4,002,600 (4,414,300), tax was 150,850 (134,800) and profit after tax was 280,150 (202,200).

Earnings per share were 2.24p (1.61p). The full year's profits are expected to be £1 million.

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## ARGYLL GROUP PLC

INTERIM RESULTS: SIX MONTHS TO 30 SEPTEMBER

·	1986 (unaudited) &m	1985 (unaudited) £m	
Turnover	986.0	917.6	+7%
Profit before taxation	36.3	29.8	+23%
Taxation	(12.0)	(8.9)	
	24.3	20.9	+16%
Earnings per share			
Actual tax	12.1p	10.4p	+16%
35% tax	11.7p	<u>9.6p</u>	+22%
Interim dividend per share	3.10p	2.65p	+17%

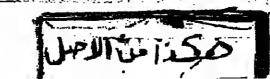
Excellent profit and net margin growth from the Food Division:

- Operating profit up 30%
- Net operating margin up from 3.09% to 3.75%

Current trading gives confidence that the Group will achieve its profit objectives for the year.

Copies of the full Interim Report may be obtained from the Company Secretary at Argyli House, Millington Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 4AY.

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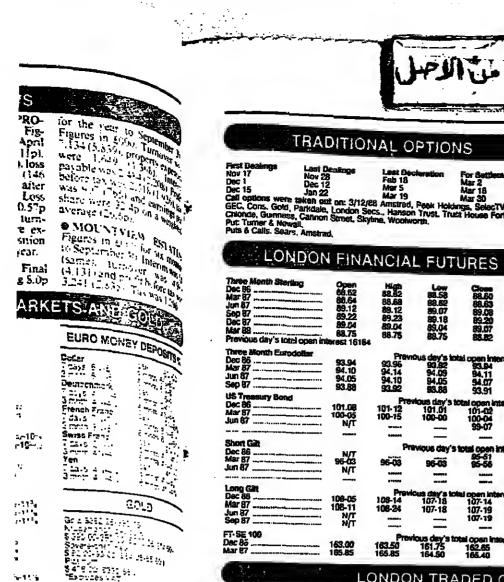
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#### 31 British companies win Nissan contracts

By David Young

New contracts have been in Sunderland, Tyne and than 50 per cent of the cars will be sourced from Britaio starting.

The company, which started production in September, has placed contracts with 31 British companies and four companies in other European Economic Community member-countries for parts which will be introduced progres-sively to the Bluebird range

this year and next. By 1988, the cars will be considered to be British built, with 60 per cent of their content produced locally. By 1991, that level will reach 80 per cent.

At present, the plant is producing 24,000 cars a year, which will rise to 100,000 by 1991.

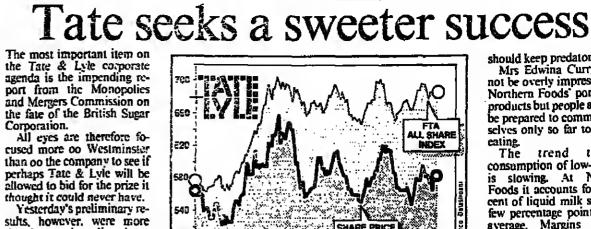
Mr Ian Gibson, director of placed to supply components purchasing and production for the Nissan cars produced control, said yesterday: "We in Sunderland, Tyne and now have contracts with 58 Wear, which means that more British and oine European suppliers, representing potential business of more than within a year of production £130 million a year at full production levels.

· LEEDS GROUP: A final

#### In brief

dividend of 4p has been de-clared, making 6.25p for the year (5.21p adjusted), on ioyear (5.21p adjusted), on io-creased share capital for the year ended September 30. With fig-ures io £000. 1urnover amounted to 14,157 (14,455), trading surplus 2,791 (2,436), depreciation 417 (431), profit before tax 2,374 (2,005) and tax 902 (859). Earnings per share were 19,7p (15,3p). During the past year a further £1 million has been added to the has been added to the company's strong cash position. This enables the acquisition of Walsden and a number of new capital investment projects to be financed without recourse to borrowing. The group says expects to benefit oo balance from the lower value of sterling and this year has opened with some promise io several areas The shares were 195p, up 4p.

COALITE GROUP: Result for the six months to September for the six months to September 30 include an interim dividend of 2.25p (2p) and, with figures in £000, turnover was 182,470 (209,753), operating profit after depreciation 3,204 [3,311), interest and similar income receivable 4,438 [3,520). Profit before tax amounted to 14,408 receivable 4,438 [3,520]. Frofit before tax amounted to 14,408 (13,241) and tax totalled 5,181 (5,561). Earnings per share were 10,73p (8,93p). The board says the most significant feature of the year so far is the acquisition of the Hargraves Group which provides the company with a firm basis for expansion and growth. The senior management of Coalite and Hargreaves are working together to bring about a successful integration of the combined company. The results from Hargreaves were consoli-dated from November 1. The company says it is expecting a satisfactory outcome for the year as a whole, subject to the usual hazards of the wioter



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implying a prospective mul-tiple of 8.2. The shares are standing at a hefty 25 per cent

discount to the market. sugar price war without being If Tate were to succeed in buying British Sugar, it would be very good news indeed. But if it failed, it would out be the end of the world for Tate & Lyle. The discount looks undeserved.

#### Smith & Nephew

Strong consumer brands like Nivea, good growth in per-sonal hygiene products and high margios from its medical and health care products allow the smooth and steady upward progression of Smith & Nephew Associated Companies profits to contioue. At the third quarter stage, the company reported pretax profit up 22.8 per cent to £58.2 million for the 40

weeks to October 4. Earnings, however, are not growing quite so fast, up just 18.8 per cent to 4.68n.

centration on profits again. And in the US, acquisitions The fly in the ointment is tiny. It concerns the £192.7 earnings.
In the longer term. Tate & million acquisition of Rich-Lyle has its oew low calorie ards Medical, the US comsweetener, Sucralose, which it pany, last August for a has been developing for the mixture of cash and shares. last 'eight years. It should This will dilute earnings for soon be in a position to the next year at least, while there will be a higher tax charge in the United States. All the Smith & Nephews submit it to government ageocies for approval, but it is unlikely to contribute to prof-

traditional strengths remain, Tate should make about however, and Jeonifer £95 million pretax this year, McGregor, pharmaceuticals

analyst at Wood Mackenzie, the stockbroker, is looking for £87 millioo pretax for the full

The shares, always highly rated, may look a touch expensive on a 17.4 multiple, especially since the market is still absorbing stock from the Richards acquisition.

to the short term, the shares are likely to prove a dull market. Io the longer term though, the company will no doubt prove to be the sound investment it has always been.

#### **Northern Foods**

The recent EEC prooouncement that the Milk Marketing Board was breaking the rules with its differential pricing policy has cast a dark cloud over companies with commercial dairy interests. However, Northern Foods is not unduly gloomy.

It is not heavily involved in the processing of milk for butter or hard cheese, the market segments particularly affected by the European Commission's ruling. More-over, it believes that its emphasis on high quality products such as liquid milk and cream places it io a strong buying position which would be enhanced if the board were to be disbanded.

The conclusion of this issue is some way off, but nervousness oo the subject should keep predators at bay Mrs Edwina Curry would not be overly impressed with Northern Foods' portfolio of products but people appear to be prepared to commit themselves only so far to healthy

The trend towards consumption of low-fat milk is slowing. At Northern Foods it accounts for 15 per cent of liquid milk sales — a few percentage points below average. Margins are no lower than oo normal milk.

However, the market is now flooded with cream. Lower prices have stimulated demand which is up by 7 per cent but has affected margins. However, although people are cating less butter it appears they are eating more cream. Northern Foods sales of cream-topped trifles to Marks and Spencer have, for instance, increased by 40 per

Biscuits and meat products are also doing well. The Classic biscuit bas been well received.

Acquisitions in Britain will be hard to find since there are others around equally keen to pick up good opportunities. Avana remains a taboo subject although there is a clear synergy. However, with gearing set to be under 20 per cent by the year end, there is scope to do something big.

Northern Foods is keen to keep some exposure to the US although the market is unlikley to encourage it to do anything dramatic.

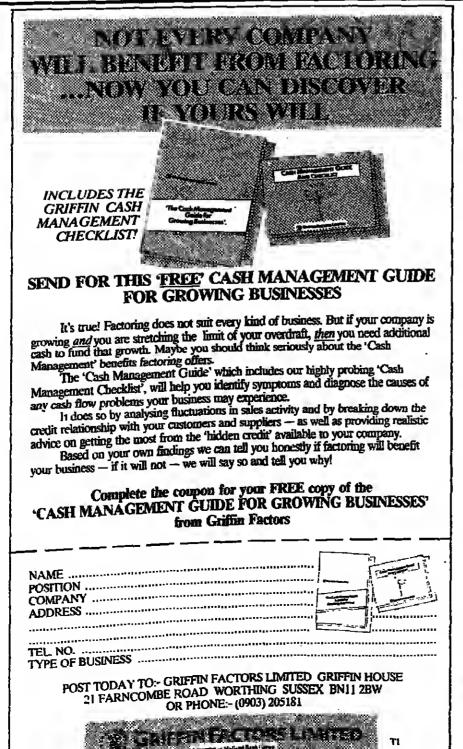
The group still commands the City's respect. On a forecast of £75 million the sbares are on a p/e ratio of 11.9 which seems fair enough. However, a combination of mishaps in the last few years has left a nasty taste in the mouth. The direction the group plans to move in will need to be more apparent or else its position as a blue chip may be in jeopardy.

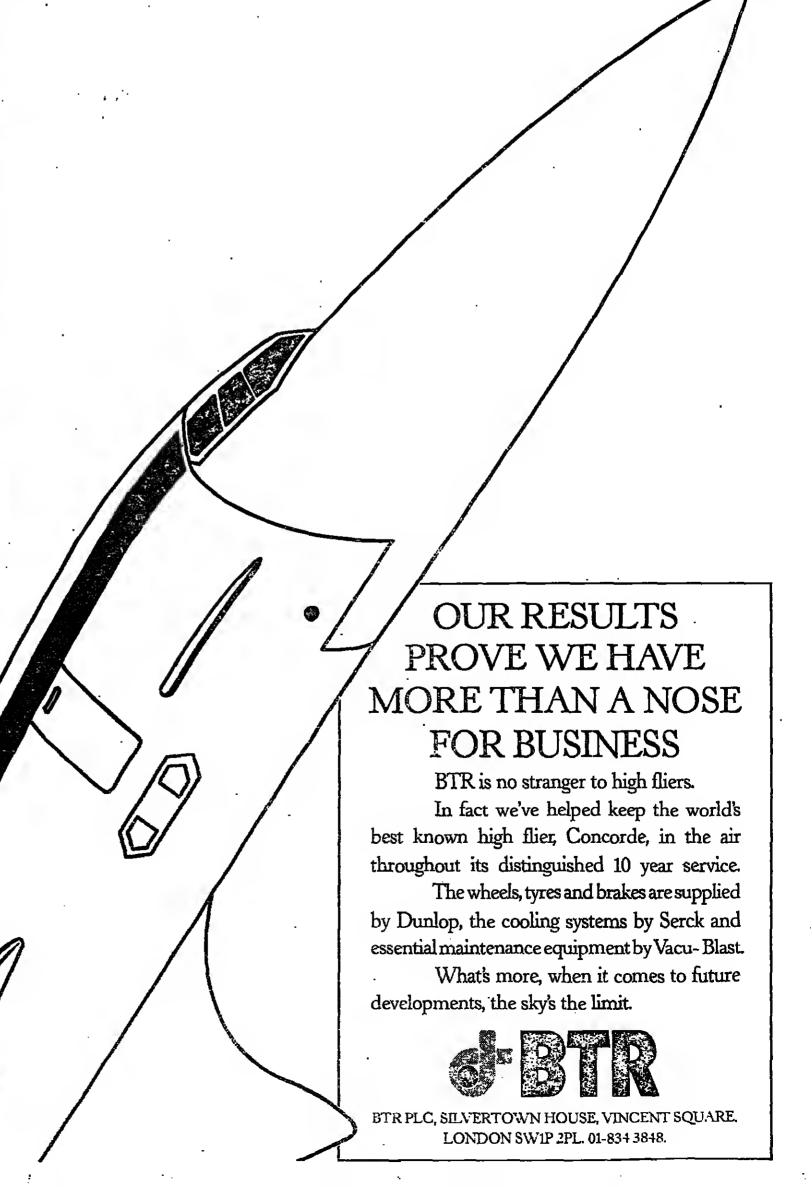
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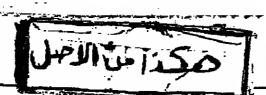
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# Leyland seeks way out of commercial gloom

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could give Paccar a stronger

base from which to attack the

European market

Depressed sales of commer-ial vehicles and severe over-market share in Britain to a 17 cial vehicles and severe overcapacity of about 40 per cent in truck-making underline the crucial nature of the talks now taking place to settle the future of the Rover Group's lossmaking Leyland trucks op-

The discussions, still at an early stage, are taking place with DAF Truck, the Netherlands manufacturer, and Paccar, based in Seattle, which bought Fodeo from the British receiver in 1980.

Gloomy European pros-pects have already driven General Motors and Ford to retreat. Ford has sold off its European truck plant at Langlev in Britain to a company in which it has a 49 per cent holding, matched by a similar holding by Iveco, a subsidiary of Italy's Fiat. The joint company is Iveco Ford Truck.

And GM will stop making medium and heavy Bedford trucks at its Luton plant by the year end, emphasizing how badly Leyland, a minnow in West European terms, needs to find a place in a bigger

Since GM's bid to take over the Leyland trucks operation collapsed, the search for a solution has continued. The first sign came in September when a marketing deal was struck with DAF.

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per cent lead although it is still hard-pressed, particularly by Ford and Mercedes Benz.

Its problem has been a lack of success in attempting to break into European markets historically neglected by Ley-land when old colonial markets still accounted for much of its exports.

Under the DAF deal, about 2,000 Leyland vehicles are expected to be sold next year through DAF's 500 dealers on

The Roadrunner, the heaviest vehicle, which can still be driven without a heavy commercial vehicle licence in Britain, slots neatly into the DAF truck portfolio since the Dutch company, whose strength is in heavy trucks, decided not to build vehicles below 10 tonnes gross vehicle weight. It will also sell Freight Rover Sherpa vans.

The deal demonstrates how a closer association like a merger would make sense for both Leyland and DAF even though there would be some overlap among the heavier truck ranges. Freight Rover is not being included in the talks either with DAF or Paccar.

DAF's market share in Western Europe last year stood at slightly more than 4.5 per cent while Leyland was almost at 4 per cent. The two together would rank among

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for its Kenworth and Peterbilt ranges. Foden at Sandbach in Cheshire now produces specialist trucks; one of its bigger recent contracts was for several hundred recovery ve-hicles for the British Army. What is clear is that the

Leyland trucks operation faces restructuring, undoubtedly involving job losses, whether the solution to its difficulties lies with DAF or Paccar.

When Mr Paul Channon, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, announced the talks with the two the top half-dozen European foreign makers this week, he makers, ahead of Sweden's emphasized that restructuring was inevitable if Leyland Scania and close on the heels of the other big Swedish manufacturer, Volvo. trucks stayed as it was. This is empasized by the Daimler Benz has rather

financial results of the trucks more than 26 per cent of the European market, Iveco close on 15 per cent and Renault subsidiary, The trucks operation had a half-year operating loss, before tax and interest, of £21.1 million in the first part The talks between DAF and of this year. This was the first Leyland on closer collaboratime the Rover Group broke tion are the most advanced at down the figures for the trucks present. Paccar has only just started its studies, according to the Rover Group and the subsidiary but the hae-morrhage has clearly been going on for some time. expectation is that if the US

Where the jobs axe would manufacturer makes a move it fall would depend on whatever strategy is finally adopted for Leyland. Seattle is playing its cards close to its chest but a possible

There are three main manufacturing locations; the key assembly plant at Leyland, attraction in Leyland is that it Lancashire, the Albion axlemaking plant at Glasgow, and the Scammell factory at Watford, Hertfordshire.

> A radical restructuring inevitably seems the price the Leyland operation will have to pay to stay, with any credibil-ity, in a truck race which seems likely to see even more



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# Strict liability in goshawk offence

lawfully to captivity.

Before Lord Justice Stephen Brown and Mr Justice Tudor

[Judgment December 2] Section 1(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 which provides that "if any person has in his possession or control (a) any live or dead wild bird ... shall be guilty of an offence" created an offence of strict liability so that it was not necessary for the prosecutor to evidence of guilty

Accordingly, the defendant's bonest and reasonable belief that the birds were bred in captivity and were therefore not wild birds for the purposes of the Act could not afford a the Act could not afford a

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held, upholding a decision of Ashton-under-Lyne Justices who on April 10, 1985, found the defendant Eric Kirkland guilty of offences under the Act npon informa-tions laid by the prosecutor, Peter John Robinson, senior investigations officer of the Royal Society for the Protection

Mr Roderick Carus for the defendant; Mr Mark Love for

the prosecutor.

One error can be

misconduct Regina v Pharmacentical Society of Great Britain, Ex parte Sokoh Pain [Judgment November 28]

A single serious error was capable of constituting misconduct for the purpose of disciplioary proceedings ooder section 8 of the Pharmacy Act t954. The word "misconduct" did not necessarily connote moral censure; it meant no more than incorrect or erroneous conduct of any kind of a serious

Mr Justice Webster so stated in the Queen's Bench Division on December 3, dismissing an application for judicial review by a registered pharmacist who was reprimanded by the statutory committee for professional misconduct in failing to check with a doctor a prescription for unclear in certain respects and contained a very large dose of

HIS LORDSHIP said that it was unbelpful to define "misconduct" by any adjective having moral overtooes.

A single act of negligence could in principle constitute misconduct. If the word had to be defined then it meant incorrect or erroneous cooduct of any kind, provided that it was of

The statutory committee had power to reprimand the pharmacist under paragraph 25(d) of the Pharmaceutical Society (Statutory Committee) Order of Council (SI 1978 No 20), having found that be was guilty of professional misconduct, but that the misconduct was not such as to render him unfit to have his name on the

needed to know all the qualities tion alleged that between June 14 and 27, 1983 the defendant of that which he had in his had in his possession four wild

birds, namely four goshawks. contrary to section 1(2)(a) of the He contended that in the circumstances of the case an onest and reasonable belief that the birds were bred from The justices found that gosbirds lawfully io captivity was a defence and that the prosecution hawks were wild birds within the meaning of the Act and that were under an obligation to adduce evidence of guilty know-ledge if they wished to establish they were lawfully in captivity if they had been (i) imported under licence, (ii) taken from the wild by licence or (iii) bred

The justices rejected that submission and accepted the contention of the prosecutor On June 14 the defendant obtained the goshawks from a Mr Butterworth and registered that io the absence of any definition of possession in the that transfer with the Depart-ment of the Environment as Act it was only necessary to adduce evidence to show that the defendant was io physical possession of the birds and that they were wild birds as defined. progeny of a joint breeding project between one of his birds and one of Mr Butterworth's

The justices therefore rejected the submission of on case to answer and the defendant did oot bred in captivity within the definition in the 1981 Act since not call or give evidence. they had not been lawfully bred The defendant now submitted

birds belonging to him, nor had they been imported under lithat mens rea was an essectia ingredient of the Act and that cence or taken from the wild by the justices were in error in deciding that it was not. He argued that the consequences of The defendant made a sub lefendant; Mr Mark Love for the prosecutor.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHEN

I ne defendant made a submission of no case to answer on the ground that possession within the meaning of the Act did not mean possession the conviction were so serious having regard to the provisions for forfeiture cootained in the Act that it bad to be assumed

to exclude liability.

The prosecution said that section 1(2)(a) of the Act created an offence of strict liability. The statute provided certain de-fences and it was also provided in the structure of the Act that licences might be granted to persons or organizations for specific purposes and that if anything was done in ac-cordance with the terms of the licences section I did not apply.

to his Lordship's view there was no doubt that Parliament iotended the offence created by section 1(1) to be an offence of strict liability. Section 1(1) had the word "intentionally" but section 1(2) did not, and section (2) had a statutory defence in section [13).

There had to be an absolute prohibition on the doing of certain acts which were against the public wellare. The 1981 Act was to protect the environment importance.
Those who possessed wild birds were to be at risk to show

that their possession was lawful Mr Justice Tudor Evans

agreed.

Solicitors: Wioter Wilkinson. St Ncots, Pluck Andrew & Co.

#### **Destruction of seized goods**

Regina v Uxbridge Justices, Ex parte Sofaer and Another Before Lord Justice Croom-Johnsoo and Mr Justice Peter

The destruction of goods by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise between the date of forfeiture of the goods and committal proceedings in re-spect of an alleged offence under section 68(2) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 in relation to the goods, did oot necessarily result in prejudice to the defendant or a breach of the rules of natural justice where secondary evidence in the form of photo-graphs was available and could be put before a jury. There was no overriding duty on the prosecution to preserve

Queen's Bench dismissing an application for evidence. In those circum-

judicial review of the decision of Uxbridge Justices to commit the applicants, David Richard Solaer and Howard Freckleton, for trial to respect of alleged offences contrary to section 68(2) of the 1979 Act.

Mr Jeremy Gompertz for the applicants; Mr Keith Simpson for the Commissioners of Customs and Excise.

LORD JUSTICE CROOM-JOHNSON said the case of R v JOHNSON said the case of K v Lushington, Ex parte Otto ([1894] 1 QB 430) was cited as authority for the proposition that the prosecution was under ao overriding duty to preserve evidence. While that was on doubt a desirable standard, it was not always possible to

times went astray. Sometimes it was only by their destruction that one could get at the stances it was customary to rely In this case there were photographs. The commissioners considered that they were adequate for a jury to reach a conclusion one way or the other as to whether the aircraft parts which were the subject matter of the offeoce alleged were in fact usable aircraft parts, or were scrap as the applicants asserted. The justices had accepted that

and it was out possible to say that they could not as a matter of law have reached the conclusion they did.

MR JUSTICE PETER PAIN. agreeing, said that Mr Justice Wright in the case of R v Lushington, Ex parte Otto had stated the principle too widely. more so than was necessary for the decision in that case. That the provisions of the 1979 Act. Solicitors: Reynolds Dawson;

#### 'Grates and stoves' updated

Summit Invest Inc y British Steel Corporation (The

The phrase "grates and-stoves" in clause 20 of the New York Produce Exchange form of time charter, which provided for exceptions to the charterers liability to pay for fuel used by the chartered vessel, was to be construed as extending to all fuel used for crew domestic purposes, including lighting, heating, cooking and any fuelconsuming indulgences.

The Court of Appeal (Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Lloyd and Lord Justice Nicholls) on December 2 allowed an appeal by the charterers, British Steel

of Mr Justice Gatehouse wbo, on March 7, 1986, had allowed the owners' appeal from a decision of arbitrators and had beld that the phrase was to be construed as referring only to the cost of fuel used for crew's

ROLLS said that the court was faced with a shipowner and a time charterer discussing the hire of a vessel which, as both knew, bad neither grates nor stoves on board.

The phrase "grates and stoves" fell to be considered in an age when time charterers' fuel was used to produce steam and electricity for domestic tentions through a hopelessly lighting, heating, cooking and what one of the arbitrators had

other fuel-consuming indul-gences that the crew may be allowed".

There was no basis for requiring the owners to pay for the cost of fuel used to run an air-cooditioning plant when it was The MASTER OF THE blowing hot but not when it was

Clause 20 was intended to extend the owners' liability to all fuel used for crew domestic purposes, whether lighting heating cooking or crew

That conclusion was not to be regarded as rewriting the parties' contract. It resulted from seeking to penetrate to their indubious and archaic form of

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# GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

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ver 45 and in the job market? For many in that position selfemployment may be the way forward - and it can be a hidden boon and blessing all round for British business. If only this is recognized! Two recent analyses throw up an interesting picture. These are an institute of Manpower Studies survey of 450 businesses, and the Labour Force Surveys (LFS) 1981, 1983 and 1984, analysed by the Employment Market Research Unit of the Department of Employment. 

They show that 50 per cent of companies surveyed are seeking temporaries with high-level skills in specialist fields (accountancy, computing, marketing and technical) in which demand is growing, that of the 2.6 million self-employed 75 per cent are men and growing, and that activity in construction distribution construction distribution construction construction, distribution, repairs, hotels and catering accounts for half of all self-employed.

That is the broad picture, My specific area of interest is that of

the "senior management" types. Right now "outplacement" agencies - organizations that belp senior executives come to terms with the fact that their employer no longer needs them and help them in the process of gaining new employment - are probably at their busiest ever.

Personal observation and experience suggest that getting a job for the senior management executive who is over 45 can often be a long and dispiriting exercise, with the chances of success diminishing rapidly the older you become. And it is the over-45 senior management group that British business increasingly selects for banishment and cannot really reabsorb.

It seems to me that a point is reached where business, both industry and commerce, has so decimated itself with respect to the over-45 age group that it has lost, possibly for ever, knowledge, contacts, learning, skills and so on that are irreplaceable. Displacement of senior management is too often a one-off event, usually with oo planning possible, or intended, with respect to succession or orderly transfer of know-how to younger people. A vacirum is created.

The kind of know-how I mean is not just technical, but all the aceu mulated wisdom and capabilities that maturity, in the best sense, brings about in the able, energetic and achievement-

oriented senior manager.
Intuitively — there are no statistics — I have the feeling that the point has just about been reached where British business has so decimated itself that "corporate memory and sensitivity" are lack-

Companies want temporaries with specialist skills.

These, Tom Pointon

argues, can come from the over-45s

ing. It is as if the primitive tribe had "lost its head" — io the sense that io this environment the young men fend and fight while the grey-heads remain at home. remembering and retelling the past for their present and inture

Of course, the conditions I describe best fit big business. The small to medium-size business probably never has a large number of over-45s at the top anyway (even if it really needs them!). Certainly, many of the new business start-ups with great potential for oew employment will be in youthful hands.

Additionally, according to my own grapevine, there is a need in the new venture capital area. Expansion through this form of investment has left a gap -

venture capitalists do not manage businesses themselves and they have no surrogates in place. The point is that they have to take the word and actions of those in charge of the actual businesses in which they invest, good and bad.

What other evidence is there?

According to the Management Consultants Association, management consultancy is enjoying a boom. It said that last year turnover of its members increased 25 percent, with an 18 percent increase in consultants recruited. These increases followed the pattern of the previous year, 1984, so it is no mere flash in the pan. Reasons advanced for this expansion included:

 Increasing pace of change: consultants being used to assist the implementation of change.

• The comparatively long period of political and economic stability in the UK which has increased the willingness of organizations to

 A growing willingness of organizations to seek external help, particularly in specialist skill

 External influences of major proportioos, causing some organizations to adjust their strategies, organization and systems to new conditions (for example, the Big Bang in the City, advent of new technology and manufacturing techniques).

Skills and services in demand include: management accounting, information systems, telecommunications, software programming, management sciences, human resources, executive selection and search, marketing, economics, transportation, opera-

tions management and so on.

Take public relations. Financial
Weekly has reported that the
number of such consultancies that breached the £100,000 fee income barrier grew in the past year from 86 to 114, a 67 per cent increase. Now all this relates, one way and another, to the kind of skills

that the over-45 senior management executive possesses in

Growth in the economy overall is there but not as extensive as one could imagine as being necessary

to cause the change and expansion described. There is fundamental structural change. There is a clear lack of internal resource and a need for outside expertise that is demonstrable. Expertise just has to come from outside the organization.

Let us look at things yet another way. The area of information technology is cited by the Institute of Manpower Studies as possibly growing by a quarter by the end of this decade — it is presently 200,000-strong, its professionals being described as one-third having electronic-based skills and the rest computer-based skills. Some over-45s will undoubtedly have expertise that can be applied to this growth area.

So far I have demonstrated that there is real need and that this can be met from outside the organization, appropriately by many over-

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SIXTH, the over-45s can bring real objectivity to bear, avoiding tunnel vision and oot having to make trade-offs with colleagues within the organization.

These are, of course, generalizations and are most certainly not exhaustive. They do add up to a powerful argument for the use of over-45s by business which is often these days at full stretch and cannot spend time and effort thinking through its problems and then implementing the necessary

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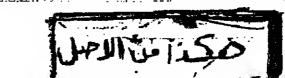
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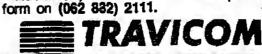
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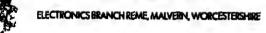
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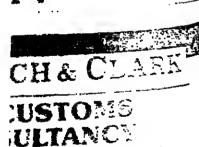
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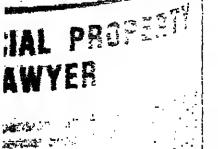
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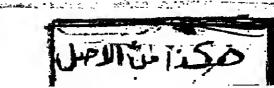
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This comment on the Open Univcraity's effective manager course by a quality assurance executive spells out the message that retraining is vital, both to industry and to individual careers. If your organization is tardy, the initiative must rest with you

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shorter course at a technical or further education college.

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Locating the right course is important. If computer-aided design and computer-aided manufacture (CADCAM) is your field, take care that the one you choose has the right material. Potential students are warned by Dr Ernest Warman, managing director of the CADCAM Association: "Some polytechnics are processing people who are no use to companies because the courses lack the right content. They are using CADCAM as a catch-all."

#### 'My purpose is to attract good quality graduates'

So his association has been vetting and accrediting retraining courses, and the results are to be published in a free handbook available to non-members in January. A catalogue for CADCAM Association members was produced earlier this year.

You could use Prestel to see which of the thousands of short schemes the Department of Education and Science offers through PICKUP (Professional, Commercial and Industrial Updating) would be most relevant. These cover new technology, skills, methods and materials for people from boardroom to shopfloor. Alternatively, contact your regional PICKUP organizer.

Consider also the opportunities of-fered by universities, polytechnics and colleges. One of the most positive is the Integrated Graduate Development Scheme at the University of Warwick, which came out top in the grants review of last spring. With 600 students, this is the largest postgraduate programme in

Europe. It is run by Professor Kumar

Retraining is vital

both in industry

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may be best to make the moves yourself,

says Sally Watts

Bhattacharyya, Lucas professor of Manufacturing Systems, who started it with a colleague in response to the Finniston Report, to combat the huge turnover of new graduates in industry when they were hit by "the shock of manufacturing".

He says: "My purpose is to attract good quality graduates to industry, to convert them to what manufacturing requires and to retrain them." Manage ments have helped to develop the programmes, which started with Lucas and BL staff and oow include, among others, Rnils-Royce, British Aerospace, Short Brothers and GKN.

The modular courses, on informatioo technology in manufacturing or manufacturing systems, leads to an MSc degree via continuous assessment and a project. Most are in their twenties and all are sponsored; some middle managers also do the course; others take short, tailormade ones. People at board level study defined subjects - the future of manufacturing, for example.

Graduates who would benefit from the scheme, but lack sponsorship, should apply to Warwick for a Science and Engineering Research Council scholarship, says Professor Bhattacharyya, or try to join a company that will sponsor

Modular s' ems are specially adapted to those who can spare little time away from work. At Surrey University, Mi-chael Bader, Dean for Continuing Education, is looking at ways to use them more flexibly, believing a national system must develop in which credits are interchangeable between colleges. Others foresee mixed-source credits - nbtained from evening class, summer school, distance learning or whatever - counting towards a qualification.

There is always something new for students who want to work and study simultaneously. For instance, there are two relatively new distance learning management courses from Henley and Brunel, leading to an MSc. Or take open learning. This year the Open Business School – whose slogan is "management courses that leave time for management

- has two additions, Managing People,
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ing background traditionally lacking in the cooventional qualification.

Open learning also includes the imaginative Open Tech, for technicians and supervisors wanting to learn new skills at their own pace and place, and next September a new addition will be the Manpower Services Commission's Open College, to broadcast education programmes on televisinn and radio, both BBC and independent, and so provide more opportunities for retraining and career enhancement.

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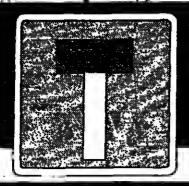
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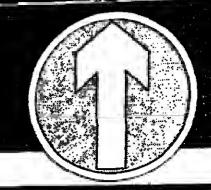
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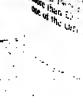
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Honeyghan, the Master of Disaster, who fulfilled his date with destiny

# Boxing legend who would rather make love, not war

his time last year. Lloyd Honeyghan was another hopeful challenger for the world welterweight boxing championship. The holder was "The Cobra" Curry, popularly considered to be pound-for-poond the best boxer in the world. Today, Honeyghan is the undisputed world champion. The only undisputed champion there is, a point he rams home with touching regularity.

What happened has now passed into sporting folklore. The no-hoper from Bermondsey went over to Atlantic City and came out firing on all cylinders. The pound-for-pound best boxer in the world plodded ont with a fistful of pounds too many. He probably didn't even know his opponent's name. The rest is, to coin a phrase, history.

"I said at the Press conference before the fight that it was my destiny to be world champion. They all laughed but that just made me think that he who laughs last laughs best. I've known that I was going to be world champion since I

Since becoming world champion . Honeyghan has been in demand. He has just returned from his native Jamaica where he took part in a "Get High On Life" campaign, and where he was presented with the Prime Minister's Award, the highest honour in the land. And touight he is saluted as the Sports Writers' Association Sportsman of the Year, ahead of Cram, Thompson, Coe, Lineker, Andries and the rest.

'Kids look up to me because I beat a legend'

The day we met him, he was making a personal appearance in aid of Spelthorne Against Drugs, n local community campaign. Needless to say, the schools were empty that day. By the time we left, he had written "With love, Lloyd" on more scraps of paper than be would care to remember. That same evening he was opening a youth club in Tulse Hill after a request by the Brixton

"All this stuff is good because young kids look up to me and to see me working with the police on something like this. sets a good example. I don't drink, smoke or take drugs. The occasional glass of wine doesn't hart anyone.

sledges. Despite day-long in-quiries the whereabouts of their

hree two-man bobs was still

They were originally due to have been flown from Calgary

last week by the Royal Air

Force. When that arrangement

fell through due to a priority loading, the sledges were re-scheduled via Toronto with Air

Caoada. They should have arrived in Düsseldorf yesterday

hut were not oo board. With no

replacements available, the Brit-

ish team have no option but to

sit oul yesterday's first two practice laufs. They will also

miss this morning's two runs and unless the sleds arrive today, face the prospect of missing all six training laufs.

The team manager Mo Ham-mond, a flight lieutenant io the

RAF, will seek special dispensa-

tion from the jury for his drivers, Nick Phipps, Tom De

La Hunty and Peter Brugnaoi.

to have two extra runs tomor-

row if the sleds arrive in time.
"It's the first time anything

like this has happened to us."
Hammond said. "At the mo-

ment I haven't even been able to

establish whether the sleds are

this side or the other side of the Atlantic. We saved ourselves about £2,000 in transportation

costs by getting the RAF to fly the sleds to Canada. But it was

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strongly criticized by an Ameri-

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conference in France attended

interested in salmon conserva-

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Britain and Ireland had not

progressed in conservation and the Salmon Bill in the UK Parliament (now an Act) pro-

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was a long-term plan of stock enhancement instead of the

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Britain and Ireland lag

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By Conrad Voss Bark

Britain and Ireland were The Faroes have also agreed to

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British hopes dashed

as sledges go missing

From Chris Moore, Winterberg, West Germany

vere sel-back after arriving here for the openiog round-of the World Cup series without any sledges. Despite day-long

"kids these days need heroes and there aren't many around. They look up to me because I beat a legend." He thought for a minute before adding: "I'm a legend, the undisputed champion of the world."

For a black youngster growing up in the sixties, there could only really be one contender for the title of here: Muhammad Ali. The combination of talent, pride and an arrogance borne out of supreme self-confidence proved irresistible to millions. "When I was young I used to fight like Ali. You know, the shuffle and everything. People used to come to the shows and go crazy, chanting, 'Ali, Ali,' because that was the way I used to box."

Regardless of what the crowds chanted, young Honeyghan soon got himself a reputation. He may call himself the Master of Disaster now but then he was just called flash. In the conservative world of amateur boxing, the sight of n tondmonth black kid—the shuffle was not the only thing he got from Ali—sporting a personalized dressing gown was not one designed to inspire ndmiration. When the dressing gown came off and the fancy footwork started, things out worse. That he kent started, things got worse. That he kept winning added insult to injury.

ut win he did. It was, nfter all, "his destiny". The discipline and dedication seemed to come easily, too. "I used to go training, then I used to go clubhing. I had to hold back a little but I destined to the little but I don't think that I missed out on

anything.
"I love dancing, though, and it was good because it belped with the boxing and the boxing helped with the dancing, for fitness. I don't do that any more.

Warman After the Curry hout, there Women. After the Curry bont, there was as much talk of Honeyghan's conquests outside the ring as there were of those inside. An image was painted of a man whose idea of training was bedroom-based and whose sparring

partners were of the strictly feminine

variety. A batch of children was

produced as evidence. Lloyd? "Well, that's the Press for you. What can I do if they want to print things like that? Sure, I like women, just like everybody else. I love women. There's no two ways about it. When I was younger, yeah, sure I used to make love, go training, make love, fight and then make love when I'd finished. But

now I'm champion of the world, I can't do that. I've got to set an example to young kids. But I'm not reformed. I'm the same Lloyd Honeyghan. I'm not changing for anyone, but I'm world

What do you do outside boxing? "Make love."

Women and children are the least of Honeyghan's problems. Aged 26, he has achieved his life's work. Everything has been a build-up to one thing and it's now been done. With it has come wealth and fame that must have been beyond the wildest dreams of the nine-year-old boy who first stepped off the plane from Jamaica, Will life ever be the same? Will it ever have meaning? More to the point, will he be able to handle the

'This business isn't going to change me'

"People like John Conteh do what they did because of the pressures of the managers. I don't think it's the lifestyle. When you know that you're a good fighter and you know you're not doing all you want to do and getting all you want to get . . . it's a lot of pressure. I used to have that with Terry Lawless. I could control it but it was getting to me. When I left him, I was on the verge of n nervous

Mentioning the name of Lawless to Honeyghan elicits the same reaction as going up to Norman Tebbit and whisper-ing "BBC" in his ear. Honeyghan is now managed by Mickey Duff, a close associate of the Lawless camp.

But how will he handle the money and those attendant pressures? "The money will get me a better house and a better car but the figures that you read in the papers . . . I read that I once got £170,000. I tell you, if I really got that kind of money, I wouldn't be sitting here

"When I stop doing this, in a couple of years, I want to become a trainer or n mager because I love boxing. I would like to show young boxers the right way, in the ring and outside it. I could never do to young kids what people have done to me. This business isn't going to change me. I've always been the way I am and always will be."

Jeremy Novick



Here's looking at you, kid: Honeyghan, turning the tables on the opposition, feels as much at ease behind the camera as he does in front of it (Photograph: Nick Rogers)

## Depth and age range make Swiss side the favourites

The stop-go World Cup downhill season resumes again on Saturday at Val d'Isère in France with a long list of 19 tacers already ioto the points. Swiss stranglehold and the only one, other than the Swiss, to get tacers already ioto the points. Hopes of a regular southern hemisphere autumo leg were finally blown away by an Argentine gale as organizers strug-gled to complete two downhills Andean resort of Las Lenas back

The two-year experiment was not a total flop but it seemed impossible to get all the right ingredients together to win unanimous support. The Swiss dominated the races and greatly influenced the decision to compete there in the first place. They were always strongly in favour because they have done their ummer training in Las Lenas for the past seven years.

So, having become ac-quaioted with the mountains and the freak weather con-ditions, it is hardly surprising that in this, their second summer home, Swiss competitors won both races this year and

Three men, Karl Alpiger, Peter Mueller and Pirmio Zurbriggen, won those races and must start favourites. Alniger won both races last August and his fellow countrymen one apiece this year. Mueller heads the downbill points tally on 40, having scored a third place as opposed to Zurbriggen's six. At only five points hehind, Zurbriggen, aged 23, and the first man to have won on the greatest Hahnenkahm course at Kitzbühel on two consecutive

days, bas the youth and talent to overtake Mueller at any time. Mueller, aged 30, is part of an old master group of downhillers who are showing experience can triumph over youth. Leonard Stock, the Austrian who won the gold medal in the 1980 Lake Placid Wioter Olympics, never lived up to that achievement and was even dropped from the Austrian team two years ago. Last season, however, he scored consistently io the top five and ended up sixth to the final

The fellow-Austrian, Anton Steiner, the same age as Stock at 28, will be hoping to pull something equally spectacular dramatic curtain-raiser to the world Alpine championships which open on January 25 in Crans-Montana, Switzerland.

World diary

Dec 5-7: Val d'Istre (Fr): Downtill and sidom.
Dec 14: Val Gardene (it): Downhill.
Dec 19-20: Kranjska Gore (Yug): Slatom.
Jan 19-11: Germisch-Partenkirchen
(WG): Downhill and super gent.
Jan 17-18: Wengen (Switz): Downhill and

Jan 24-25: Kitzbühel (Austria): Downfall and Salom.
Jan 25-Feb B: Crane-Montane (Switz):
Alpine world champlenship.
Feb 14: Markstein (Fr; Statom.
Feb 15: Todane (Mc); Giann salom.
Feb 28-Mar 1: Furane (Japan): Downhill

and super giant. Mar 7-8: Aspen (US): Downhit and super Mar 14-15: Mount Allen (Can): Downhall and super grant. Mar 20-22: Sarajevo (Yug): Slalom.

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out of the hat. Steiner has always been knocking on the door but surprisingly unlocked it with a win in Morzine last February. Zurbriggen has the additional spur of having earned even more points from giant statom

success at Sestriere in Italy last Suoday. He now leads the overall championship with 50 points and, with such success in these other disciplines, this scason will see an addition to his confidence, especially when it

comes to the Kitzbühel downhill io the last weekend of

January. The other classic, the Lauberhorn at Weogen, on the preceding weekend, will be a

The strength of the Swiss team is further supported by Franz Heinzer, Daniel Martier, and Gustav Ohrli and, with only four places available for the Swiss world championship team, a further spurt of am-bition will be injected into their efforts. No other country has so much talent in such numbers. The fight for team places will be fierce and will be conducted on World Cup rostrum over the

next few weeks. Peter Wirnsberger, of Austria, last year's World Cup champion, on the other hand was way ahead of his Austrian team-mate. Stock, however success-ful, did not win a race and that, for the Austrians - coming second as he did twice - is not

really success.

Wirnsberger's performances
were miraculous, the high point
being a repeat of Zurbriggen's double win on consecutive days on the dreaded Hahnenkahn at On the dreated rameman at Kitzbübel. A late starter, Wirnsberger, aged 27, is an unexpected Austrian hero.

Deiter Bartch, once the trainer for the British team when Konrad Bartelski started out, has recently been appointed as the Austrian supremo and is under no illusions about the kind of age range and depth of in comparison to the Swiss side.

The other two notable successes from Argentina were Marc Girardelli, skiing for Luxembourg, and Marcus Wasmaier, of West Germany. Girardelli, aged 23, an Austrian citizen with an Italian name and skiing under Luxemburg's flag Zurbriggen, the kind of allrounder in slalom, giant slalom and downbill that officials and organizers have been praying for aince the days of Jean-Claude Killy.

His positions of fourth and tenth in Argentina were an excellent start for the man who has won the overall title three times and both slalom titles two VESITS 220.

Recently, however, his showing in slalom has been a nightmare. Last season he fell or skied out of courses in most of the opening races and in the first race of this season last Saturday he fell badly, dislocating his

He skied the following day to the giant slalom but did not make the cut for the second run. Reports from Val d'Isère indicate that he will be competing in the downhill and super giant slalom. And injury or no injury, he, more than anyone, as a lone skier fighting the might of the Austrian machioc he refused to join, has his eyes firmly fixed on repeat of Kally's triple gold achievement in world

chamionships.

Martin Bell, the best British World Cup performer ever, who don't get full caps when stands at the threshold of a they play against us," the coach, crucial year for him. Aged 22, he does not have to do any better the fourth best side in Europe than his four places in the top 10 and one in the top 15 of last and England has closed. Our season but he cannot afford to whole attitude has changed be-

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

#### Sheridan turns jokes to Doncaster's advantage

union club.

Slowly and patiently Sheridan has put the Doncaster act to-

gether. At first there were plenty

of defeats, but a glimmer of light with an occasional win. Then the victories began to be strung together, and last season the Dons had a tremendous spell

when they shot up the second division table, beat Salford in a

cup tie at home, and gave tough games to Leeds and St Helens in

other cup matches. This season

the momentum has continued

Doncaster, after a slow start,

archallenging for promotion.
Then last Sunday came the 1814 victory over Hull KR, after
which Sheridan said: "This is

the greatest day in my rugby

Doncaster were hitterly dis-

appointed to be drawn away to Leigh, of the first division in

Sunday's John Player second round. Crowd enthusiasm is

growing by leaps and bounds at Tatters Field, but they now have

no home fixture until carly

The comedians, both pro-fessional and amaleur, who Birkby, Andrew Timson and have fed off Doncaster for years Kevio Jones; Kevin Parkhouse have fed off Doncaster for years must oow look for another easy is a local lad who has made tremendous strides in the pack, humbling of Hull Kingston Rovers in the Joho Player Trophy first round. Here are a formula to the humbling of Hull Kingston Rovers in the Joho Player Scored a club record 20 tries last season is from a local rugby few examples of the barbs and goads that the Dons suffered in the long years when they were the Rugby League's equivalent of homeless Dickensian urchins in the workhouse.

"Doncaster's new coach has taken his first training session. He told them to take up their usual positions, and they all ran behind the posts . . .

"Doncaster have ordered a new grandstand. The settee "Shergar has been found at last. He was discovered grazing

on Doncaster's opponents' try line last Sunday . . . . All this, and much more, as Doncaster, who entered the league in 1951, achieved inclusion in the Guinness Book of World Records by losing 40

World Records by losing 40 consecutive games, featured in a gently mickey-taking television documentary, Another Bloody Sunday, and turned up week by week to be ritually staughtered by every other side in the league before attendances of a few bundred. John Sheridan, the former

Castleford forward and Leeds reserve coach, took on the least desirable joh in Rubgy League in 1984 and is now io his third season as Doncaster coach. When he arrived at the then named Tatters Field. named after Len Tattersfield, a former player, he found only five registered players, and had to fill the team with amateurs and hasty loaned signings. Since then, rallying to Sheridan's hard work and enthusiasm, changing boards of directors have dipped deep into their pockets to buy shrewdly, pick up bargain free transfers, and sign outstanding young players from successful local amateur clubs. From Castleford have come to miss work.

January. That is, unless they draw or win at Leigh, and there is no doubt that after Sunday's amaz-

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ing win confidence is high. Says Sheridan: "Obviously we would rather be at home, but if we put our game together and tackle as we did against Rovers we can support, with ten coachloads of fans making the trip. • Carlisle have switched to Penrith's ground, 18 miles away,

tomorrow - their third attempt to settle the first round John Player Trophy tie with Keighley.
Carlisle's piich was unfit on
Sunday and Keighley requested
Tuesday's tie postponed because their players were unable **SQUASH RACKE** 

#### The sting in the tail proves decisive

By Colin McQuillan

The Dunnings Mill squad in the American Express Premier League are called Poundstretchers in recognision of their team sponsorship from British Airways. They might justifiably be labelled player-stretchers for their capabilities in pulling apart opponents even when their top strings are not

The East Grinstead team still lead the national league, if only by a single point, after inflicting a 4-1 defeat upon a Halls West Country squad reioforced by the Swedish number one Jan Ulf Soderberg. With Philip Kenyon and Kelvin Smith playing at the Al Falai Open io Oman. responsibility for maintaining their lead fell upon Paul Gregory and Danny Meddings, two
of the youngest players in the
competition but increasingly
noteworthy for professional

The Poundstretchers needed every possible point to resist the growing challenge from Skol University of the Control of the Con with the uoder-23 champion Jamie Hickox beating Greg Pollard, the world No. 13, in

Pollard, the world No. 13, in straight games.
Hard fought five-game victories came for the East Grinstead side from Andrew Dwyer and Steve Cunningham but Phil Whitlock, normally a dependable third string, was always extragations against always struggling against Soderberg, who had only arrived from Stockholm during the afternoon.

Skol Leiceste InterCity Can

Meddings clinched the match by beating Darren Mabbs, at fourth string, 9-4, 9-2, 9-3, with as clinical a display of shot power as any teenager in the world might produce. It was Gregory, though, who produced the performance of the match to fight his way to success at second string, 9-4, 2-9, 1-9, 9-4, 9-5, against Cerryg Jones, the Welsh captain, and earn the vital point that kept his team ahead of the field,

Both are only 1g years old, Last season Gregory was an occasional fifth string and Meddings considered himself lucky to get the odd game. When the heavyweights fill the top places, they now appear regularly as a devastating double sting to the Dunoings Mill tail.

Del Harris, the British under-19 champion, beat the European champion of champions Adrian second string for the Essex team Ardleigh Hall against Manches-ter Northern. But the England juoior captain, Robert Graham, playing at fifth string for interCity-Cannoos, unaccountably lost his confidence despite holding four match balls when leading 2-0, 8-1, against Andrew Danzey, of Nottingham, and eventually lost 9-5, 9-4, 8-10, 2-

RESULTS: Poundstretcher Durinings Mill 4, Halls West Country 1; Nottingham 2, InterCity-Carnons 3; Arrow Vilage 1, Chapei Alerion 4; Ardioigh Hall 2, Man-chester Northern 3; Visco Monroe 1, Skol

#### Kenyon in semi-final

Muscat (Reuter) - Phil Kenyon. of Britain, sprang a surprise by eliminating Ross Thorne, the world No. 4. of Australia, 9-6, 10-9, 9-7, but his compatriot, Gawain Briars, crashed 9-0, 9-6, 9-1, to Jahangir Khan, the wurld No. I, of Pakistan, in 28 min-utes in the Al Falaj Grand Prix

Stuart Davenport, the world No. 3, of New Zealand, was another casualty, knocked out of by Qamar Zaman, the Pakistani veteran. Davenport made a fight back in the second game, but missed his chance io the third under pressure to lose 9-5, 4-9, 10-9, 9-2.

Ross Norman, the New Zea-lander who deposed Jahangir as world champion, beat Chris Robertson, of Australia, 9-7, 9-

GUARTER-FINALS: Jahangir Khan (Pak) bt G Bhars (GBI, 9-0, 9-6, 8-1; R Norman (NZ) bt C Robertson (Aus), 9-7, 9-0, 9-4; Camar Zaman (Pak) th S Devenport (NZ), 9-5, 4-9, 10-9, 9-2; P Kenyon (GB) bt R Thorne (Aus), 9-6, 10-9, 9-7.

#### BADMINTON

## Scots planning revenge

extremely spirited and steadily improving Scotland side that will be determined to aveoge

themselves for past humili-ations tonight at Hereford. What should make the Scots particularly dangerous is that two years ago the English, after winning all 55 contests between the two countries, decided to downerade the fixture and de-

Since then both matches have ended with a 4-3 scorelice — the upset probably rest with White Scots being within a single point avenging himself on Anders Scots being within a single coint of victory two years ago at Hinckley - and it is certaioly possible that English hearts will be in their mouths again this lime.

Scottish ire may not be quite

so outspoken as it was, but it is still quite detectable. "We feel sorry for the English players who don't get full caps when Allan Campbell, said. "We are cause we so out there now

England must beware of ao genuinely believing we can The Scots have a world-class

doubles pair in Billy Gilliand and Dan Travers, who are the Commonwealth champions, a good singles player in Alex White, and another good dou-bles pair in White and Iain Pringle. Unfortunately, Pringle yesterday contracted influenza and had to be replaced by the scribe the team as an "England inexperienced Ross Gladwin -

a serious blow for the Scots Their best hopes of causing an Niclsen, the most promising young player in England, for a recent defeat in the Scottish international championships, and to win two men's doubles and the mixed, in which Gilliland, the former All-England mixed doubles champion. has a new partner in Jennifer

ENGLAND: Singles: Men: A Nielsen and J Force. Women: F Elhort. Doubless Men: R Outherside and M Brown: A Salvage and M Johnson. Women: K Beckman and S Halsall. Mixed: A Goode and Elliott. SCOTLAND: A Write. A Gallagher: J Allen W Gilliand; and O Travers, White and R Cischwin: E Allen and P Hamilton; Giffland and J Allen.

**ATHLETICS** 

## Slaney to miss out

Eugene, Oregon (AP) - Mary Slaney, the world champion at 1.500 and 3.000 metres, is likely to miss the 1987 indoor season because of surgery oo her right Achilles tendon. Mrs Slancy, who is also the world record holder for the mile, underwent arthroscopic surgery here a week ago Tuesday to repair damage done to the tendon over the last three years.

She said her choices were to have the operation this autumn and miss at least most of the indoor season or run indoors and sit out the first part of the 1987 outdoor campaign. Mrs Slaney decided to have the surgery now because of the World Championships in Rome nexi vear. Mrs Slaney, aged 28, had

scheduled three meetings this winter, the Pacific Northwest indoor in Portland on January 24. the Sunkist invitational a Los Angeles on January 16 and the Millrose Games

The January meets are out, but if the leg progresses fairly rapidly. I might be able to run in some meets at the end of February," she said.

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better, in the United States regulations permitted Atlantic salmon to be taken only by rod and line. In Canada in-river angling catch limits have been drastically reduced, drift netting banned, inshore netting banned entirely in some areas and seasoos cut back in others. For Newfoundland, Canada, under a North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization agreement, the autumn commercial fishing has ended to reduce interception of US slocks. Since the NASCO treaty be-

## Costly programme Fisher dies

A programme of a game between Tottenham Hotspur and Everton played in Buenos Aires in 1909 has been sold for more than £300, ti comes from one of the carliest foreign tours

(NASCO) as their salmoo frequently come round the North Cape to feed in the Norwegian sea. Like the United States, he went on, the Soviet Union has never permitted fishing for salmon in the ocean, and permits only rod and line taking in "Now we come." he went on

"to the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland, for both whom the European Economic Community negotiates under NASCO. Sad lo say, both these nations which produce about half of the world supply (of salmon), there has been no major forward movement."

#### mercial in-river netting with the exception of several small traditional stations. Norway has agreed to stop drift netting by January 1989, inshore netting seasons are to be shortened by 1988 and the use of monofila-

British and Irish delegates lis-tened gloomily, even the Soviets had now become signatories to the conservation treaty

Not only that, Buck said while

Nick Phipps: kept waiting

that if a priority toading came

up we would have to make other

arrangements for getting them back."

The only British driver not affected was Stan Tout, runner-up behind Phipps in last week's

British four-man championship

in Igls. He was able to practice in

his Army sledge yesterday but is not in the British two-man team for this weekend's Veltins Cup.

two cut-backs in catches.

ment nets prohibited.

tceland, said Buck, has given

us an exemplary example in conservation. Drift netting is not permitted, neither is com-

Dick Fisher, the former Eng-



land speedway rider and Belle Vue captain, has died, aged 53. Fisher made world final appear-Bell: everything he needs to seize the chance of a lifetime ances in 1956 and 1964.

## Affan can emphasize strength of Pipe team

With Mclendez and High Knowl in his care, Martin Pipe, the successful Somerset trainer, can look forward to plundering more prizes con-fined to three and four-yearolds this season.

Sold for as little as £10,600 guineas at Ascot in July, Melendez has already proved a bargain by winning his first seven races over hurdles and he may well extend that sequence at Chelienham on Saturday when he is due to cootest the Triumph Hurdle

At £56,000 guineas, High Knowl was much more expensive when Pipe bought him out of Barry Hills's stable at Newmarket in the autumn. But already that 30-length win at Leicester last Friday has welcome

Now, on a much more humble plane. I am bopeful that Saffan (nap) will add to the stable's baul, a tally increased still further by Mareth Line at Worcester yesterday, by winning today's Juvenile Novices' Hurdle at Taunton.

The opposition looks modest, to put it mildly, and Saffan, who was successful twice on the Flat for Mark Prescott before chaoging mare that he trained a few hands for 31,000 guineas, seasons back, and that she ought to be good ecough to ought to be capable of winning

12.45 Spring Philtre. 1.15 Lucky Four. 1.45 Jimmy Edwards

(2m, £759, good to soft, Nov 13, 23 ran). Selection: BIOON JESTER

tional Hunt rules.

Running for the first time for his present connections 13 days ago at Newbury, he finished fourth. In the meantime, the wioner, Riemar, has run respectably enough at Sandown while Forcello, who finished just a place behind Saffan at Newbury, was yet another winner for Toby Bald-

ing at Worcester yesterday.
With Balding's Fyfield stable io such fine form, no one should be surprised if he wins the Lansdowne Flyol Handicap Hurdle with Open The Box. I saw this American-bred seven-year-old run well at Wincaoton a week ago when he was runner-up to Timely Star in a better race. Before that Open The Box had won and been placed at Windsor. Spring Philtre (12.45), from

David Elsworth's in-form Whitsbury yard, is my other principal fancy on the West Country course. Running for the first time under National Hunt rules at Wincanton last Thursday, she finished much too strongly for both Black Sheep and Fence Judge, both of whom had adequate form.

TAUNTON

Selections

By Michael Seely

Going: good (chase course); good to soft (hurdles)

1 INCON JESTER (J White) & Holmes 6-11-7
1 SPRING PHILTRE (C Best) IL Elsworth 4-11-2

O ABBEYDORE (G Powell) T Belley 4-10-11

COURT DERRY (N Viney) O Elsworth 6-10-11

KULMANJARO BOB (M Ppe) M Pipe 4-10-11

KULMANJARO BOB (M Ppe) M Pipe 4-10-11

KULMANJARO BOB (M Pope) M Pipe 4-10-11

KULMANJARO BOB (M Pope) M Pipe 4-10-11

RILIMANJARO BOB (M Ppe) M Ppe 4-10-11

O/O MISTER PRELUDE (A Nowcombe) R Hodges 6-10-11

PO STOCKBROWER (R Frost) R Frost 4-10-11

TIDWORTH TATTOO (T Baker) J Baker 7-10-11

PO TIM BOBBIN (B Moore) J Bradley 4-10-11

BANKERS ZIPPER (W Brooks) N Ayafid 5-10-6

CRAWTERS MISS (B Stevens) R Shephard 5-10-6

2 TAFFYS PRIDE (R Ridout) I Wardle 4-10-6

OVALBACH (R Starke) G Ham 4-10-6

12.45 Moon Jester, 2.45 FELL CLIMB (nap). 3.15 Arbitrage.

12.45 DONYATT CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICE HURDLE (£613: 2m 1f) (14 runners)

1985: No corresponding race

FORM MOON JESTER (11-0), despite mistakes at the last 2, had 6! to spane over Filverside Writer (10-8) Min 11) at Southwell (2m. £865, sort, Nov 24, 12 ran). SPRINKO PHILTRE (10-3) best Black Sheep (10-8) Min Winderton (2m. £865, good to sort. Nov 27, 18 ran). TAFF Y'S PRIDE (10-8) was 2113rd to Fogar (11-0) at Newton Abbot with BILLY WHATESIKOES (11-0) a distance away in 4th (2m 150), £1284, good to farm, CC 14, 8 ran). TIUWORTH TATTOO a useful performer on the Fist, has only had one run over hurdes and finished (11-0) down the field befind Benfen (11-0) and Wolkow Will (11-3) at Uverpool in 1983 (2m. £845), ort, Apr 8, 9 ran). VALRACH (10-5) was in touch for a long way before finishing in rear behind Annie Re (10-5) at Wincanton (2m. £759, good to sort, Nov 13, 23 ran).

1985: No corresponding race

1.15 WATCHET NOVICE SELLING HURDLE (4-Y-O: £391: 2m 1f) (9 runners)

Afterwards Elsworth said that Spring Philtre reminded him of Lesley Ann, a good

2.15 SAFFAN (nap). 2.45 Fell Climb.

open his account under Na- again just as long as he did not set her sights too high. This then looks an ideal chance.

Fell Climb, who was only narrowly beaten by Queensway Boy at Newbury last month, is just preferred to the recent course and distance winner, Tudor Road, for the Lansdowne Chemical Handicap Chase. At Uttoxeter, I rather like

the look of Rouspeter in the December Handicap Chase, even though he is opposed by Celtic Brew and Preben Fur. After winning at Stratford and Kempton, Rouspeter met his match at Warwick when he took on Indamelody. But with Indamelody winning again since and the third horse, Co Member, scoring in some style at Wincanton, the form looks

good enough. Jennie Pat, a faller on her last visit to the Staffordshire course, returns to try and make amends in the Norbury Novices' Chase. Since making that disastrous start to her chasing career, Jennie Pat has atoned by jumping a clear round at Ayr.

Dunston, who was bought by Alan Bailey for 36,000 guineas at Newmarket earlier this autumn, was good enough on the Flat to suggest he can master his opposition in the Rochester Three-Year-Old Novices' Hurdle.

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— F J Begger — 12-1 \_ George Knight — 16-1 — K Miccesy — 16-1 — J Lower (4) — 9-4 ir A Kellowey (7) — 20-1

\_\_\_ Or 11 Chesney

.. Mr & Towers Miss H Handel

..... M Kinane ..... Peter Hobbs ...... C Jones

- 14-1

92 12-1 82 18-1

— 8-1 — 5-1 — 10-1

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**87** 12-1



turns there for today's Lansdowne Flyol Handicap Hurdle

Guide to our in-line racecard

FORM SAFFAN is the only horse in this race with any worthwhile form over hurdies. That was (11-0) a creditable 15% 3rd to the improving Ricmar (11-0) in a Newbury novice hurdie (2m, £1878, soft, Nov 21, 15 ran), Leaser efforts have been produced by QUR TYLLY (10-10) out of the frame behind Golden Croft (10-0) of the Plumpton (2m, £855, soft, Nov 28, 15 ran), and FRICK (11-0) out of the frame behind Ricmar (11-0) and SAFFAN (11-0) at Newbury, QLYMPIC EAGLE, SIR BRETT and TAES TOIS are likely to prove best of the

FORM BRCKLEIGH BRIDGE (10-7) below form when last of 7 to Broadheath (10-7) at Wincamton (3m 11, 5 ran). FELL CLIMB (10-1) found the close home when 1 ½; 2nd to Cuestow (3m, 23023, good to soft, Nov 1, 5 ran). FELL CLIMB (10-1) found the close home when 1 ½; 2nd to Cuestoway Boy (10-4) at Newtony (3m, 210423, good to soft, Nov 2), 10 ran). TUDOR ROAD (10-10) quickerned closer on first to beat Dett. Follower (11-4) ¾; with NOTIFE CREVAL (11-6) 25; behind in 6th and GLLDED GOLD (10-4) pulsed up over this course and distance (22378, good to soft, Nov 20, 10 ran). WIFE WILLIAM (10-7) 14 ½ 3rd to Frinat Cleer (10-7) at Wolverhampton (3m 11, 22065, firm, Nov 10, 5 ran).

1985: No corresponding race

FORM OPEN THE BOX is an admirably consistent performer; (10-8) best Pip (10-1) and CRADLE OF JAZZ (11-8), a firm ground specialist, 51 and a head respectively at Warwick (2m. 51741, good, May 24, 5 ran). SUNSHINE GALL's (10-8) best effort this season is 20 3rd to Upriam Gamble (11-0) at Devon (2m. 11, 51923, soft, Nov 11, 17 ran). ARBITHAGE (10-2) returned to form when beeting REDGRAVE GIRL (10-3) 193 at this course with MidGRTY STEEL (11-8) at Gistert 8th, and CORAL HARBOUR (10-5) and BUCKMINSTER 90Y (10-2) behind (2m. 11, 2254, good to soft, Nov 20, 10 ran). HANDY LANE (11-5) a promising 1½12nd to Beech Grove (10-12) here (2m. 11, 2567, good to soft, Nov 20, 13 ran). THE END (10-0) ran to form when 4½13rd to Tawny Spirit (10-11) with THE DIPLOMAT (10-0) 1½1 back in 4th, Towcester (2m. 51878, good, Nov 13, 10 ran). Selection: ARBITRAGE.

2.45 LANDSDOWNE CHEMICAL HANDICAP CHASE (£2,289: 3m 11) (6 runners)

3.15 LANSDOWNE FLYOL HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,348: 2m 11) (16 numers)

103 (12) 6-8432 TIMESPORM (CD,BF) (Mrs. J Ryley) 2 Hell 9-10-0 ....

2.15 JUVENILE NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-O: £575: 2m 1f) (14 runners)

EVALE WOVICE HUNDLE (3-7-U: 1375: 2/11 1)

MURHAF (J Joseph) R Frost 10-7

OLYMPYC EAGLE (J Murit) S Christian 10-7

OUR TILLY (M Chereson) J Baker 10-7

PRICK (W Wightman) W Wightman 10-7

CUICKEN THE BIB (H Penry) N Microel 10-7

ROYAL SATTERY (R Cottie) II Berons 10-7

ROYAL SERVES (R Richards) L Cottrel 10-7

A SAFFAN (BF) (F Starr) M Pipe 10-7

SIR BRETT (J Livack) O Tucker 10-7

GERNAGRA GPL (I Abrahams) Mrs A Kright 10-2

GOLDEN AZELIA (R Brazington) R Brazington 10-2

TAIS TO! (E Bristows) 8 Vann 10-2

1895: WATPORD GAP 10-7 Miss S Lewrence (16-

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Sh.-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-alipped up. R-restand). Horse's name (B-brinkers. V-vitor. H-hood. E-Eyestheld. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course

#### £50,000 hurdle is next objective for Dark Raven By Our Irish Racing Correspondent The £IR50,000 Sean Graham mount to contain the challenge

Memorial Hurdle is now the objective for Dark Raven after bert Firestone's four-year-old had extended his unbeaten jumping record to five in the Newbridge Hordle at Naas yes-

Dark Rayen, despite having had two good runs on the Flat at the end of the season, was still strongly opposed by the Irish bookmakers and finished up joiot-favourite at eveo money with the Sweeps Hurdle winner.

For once their usually acute intelligence service let them down as Bonalma was patently in need of the outing and faded away on the flat to be beaten a total of 9½ lengths by Dark

The winner began to close on. the pacemaking ootsider, Strike A Point, after the third last flight and led over the second last. Thereafter Tommy Carmody did not need to be hard on his

Ever Ready will sponsor the Derby until 1991. In a deal amounced today, the parent company, Hanson Trust, will be involved in all three days of the Epsom meeting, having added the Coronation Cup to the Derby

of another four-year-old, Junior Citizen, who was in receipt of 8lb. The winoing margin was 1 1/2 lengths.

lengths.

"The race at the Leopardstown Christmas meeting will tell us where we stand vis-a-vis the Champioo Hurdle." Dermot Weld said afterwards. However, the trainer has yet to be coovinced that Dark Raven, despite being unbeaten, deserves to be second favourite for the Cheltenham

The Racing Board chairman,
Mr Michael Smurfit, who owns
a share in Dark Raven. is
reported to be making a good
recovery after undergoing back
surgery in Los Angeles last

Aoother Cheltenham aspirant, Kissane, had earlier taken a lot of money out of the Irish ring with a very easy victory io the 25-runner Town Maiden Hurdle.

Derby deal extended

and Oaks which they have supported for the last three years. The new deal will take their total investment at the

Next year's Ever Ready Derby on June 3 will have an estimated value of £420,000, the Gold Scal Oaks £220,000 and the Hanson Trust Coronation Cup £100,000, a 21 per cent increase in prize money over this

The company will continue its amual donation to the planned redevelopment throughout the new sponsorship period.

#### Harnett's enterprise seals Australian win

A fine opportunist ride by Nick Harnett clinched a 52-40 win for the Australian jockeys over their British counterparts in the fourth and final leg of the series at Worcester yesterday. Harnett, drawn to partner Legal Sugar, ignored the instructions of trainer John Manoers to drop the horse in behind and instead made almost all the running for a decisive victory. Legal Sugar had never won a race before.

P Soudamore • 98 F5-4 ... N Coleman — 10-1

\_\_\_\_ O plants (7) 93 7-2 \_\_\_\_ K Mooney 93 5-2 \_\_\_ Peter Hobbs 92 10-1 \_\_\_\_ 8 Powell 94 F2-1

George Knight
A Cheriton (7)

Manners said: "I thought the Aussie probably hadn't under-stood my Witshire accent when I was trying to tell him what to do," but Harnest would have nooe of it, saving "I understood him all right, but I've never paid much attention to instructions." Harnett can be forgiven his belief io his own ability. He had won the previous round on Tashooya at Hereford on Tuesday and was clearly brimming with confidence, despite this being the only race of the competition to be run over

fences. The ebullient Manners, who farms near Swindon, was saddling bis first winner for three years, but he will always be associated with a remarkable and bizarre incident at Cheltenham several years ago.

Newmarket trainer David Ringer's luck has taken a turn Handicap Hurdle.

Destroy, partnered by Colin Brown was first past the post, but had jumped left at the last across Whither Goest Thou, whose rider Declan Murphy had to switch before rallying su-perbly to cut the deficit to a

Thompson flew in especially to see Knock Hill contest the Long Haul Handicap Chase, and the 6-4 favourite did his bit handsomely, beating Play The Knave by five lengths.

Ascot sponsors

prize money of £15,000.

Stalker sold

Stalker, who won the Gim-crack and Middle Park Stakes

for Peter Walwyn as a two-year-old, has been sold privately and

will stand at Martyn McEnery's Rossenarra Stud in Co. Kil-kenny. This was the stud where

the triple Grand National win-

ner, Red Rum, was bred.

saddled Knight of Love to win at Cheltenham, and as the horse came up the run-in with victory assured be jumped the runoing rail and raced onto the track, arms waving to roar further

for the better recently. He notched his fifth success of the season, comparaed with just one last term, when Whither Goest Thon won the Stretton Leisure

Murphy's objection was up-held and the stewards reversed the first two placings, ruling that the interference, although accidental, had affected the result.

Americao owner Peter

#### RACING IN BRIEF

#### Avery fined

Stephen Avery, the former trainer, has been fined £50 by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee after admitting being in breach of rule 113 concerning the ownership of one of the horses be trained, Edwards Corner. The committee found that Avery, bis father, Bryan, and owner, Paul Burman, bad oot broken rules concerning the ownership of another borse, Greenacres Joy.

**Evening dates** There will be more evening racing at Chepstow next year. The evening fixture last July, the first oo the course for over 20 years, was so successful that three evening meetings will be staged next year oo May 12, June 12 and July 23.

Hexham first
Yestenday's racing at Hey Yesterday's racing at Hexham was abandoned because of high winds — the first meeting lost thio season. The northern jockey, Chris Grant, who walked the course with the stewards, said: "I would not want to ride out there. It would be very denearous. Two forces."

#### Welsh leader

Two Coppers, runner-up to Broadheath in the Hennessy Gold Cup, is 9-1 favourite with the sponsors for the Coral Weish National at Chepstow oo December 20. The Grand National winner, West Tip, is a 16-

I chance to defy top weight.

Worcester results

Geing: good to soft

12.30 (2m hdle)

1. FORCELLO (3
Bradley, 3-1): 2. Spring Paths (K Ryan, 5)13: 3. Splendid Magacilli (J Lower, 18-1).

ALSO RAN: 2 fav Framingston Court (5th).

4 Sir Party (bit), 9-2 Ning's Crusade (4th),
20 Rectory Boy, Sell in Riroy, 25 Burning
Bright, Cuckoo in The Meet, Rue St.
Jacques, 33 Fingest, Mabel Alice,
Sahrasa, 50 Dic Targuin, Rubus, Jane
Crag, Miss Haymore, Suntan, Tudor d'Or.
20 ran. 2, 29th, nic, hd, 6t. O Budding at
Weyhill, Tota: 14-50; 51: 50, 12: 50, 92: 50.

DF: 1771.50. CSF: 2155.86. Going: good to soft

-- 12-1

1.0 (2m ch) 1, ATATAHO (N Feers, 10-11 fav); 2, Chelsee leited (S Landeu, 3-1); 3, Sparitin Native (D Monts, 4-1), ALSO RAN; 10 Beech Copte (4th), 4 ran, 12l, 8l, dist. J Roberts at Taunton, Tote: £1,8l, DF: £2,40, CSF: £3,5l

OF: £2.40. CSF: £3.51.

1.30 (2m Indie) 1. MARIETH LINE (P Leach, 9-4); 2. Fort Line (C Cox, 8-1); 3. \$50meguard (Steve Knight, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 lav Plaid (48h), 12 Prangulo, 14 Hanidey Down, 16 Rivers Nephew (5th), 20 Arabian Bures (5th), 25 Kellyam, On Impulse (pu), 33 Helvick Say (pu), Ricksston Led (pu), 50 Atomitos, Elest, Frank Dale (pu), 50 Cean Lad, Saxethye Park (pu), Scarborough, Sterdust Roc, Rej Kumani (pu), 20 ran. 15, 121, 57, 71, 41. M Pipe at Welfington, Tota: £3.20; £1.40, 24.40, £2.00. DF: £100.20, CSF: £22.94, 28.00 AR 4 ch 1. LEGAL SUGAR (N 2.0 (2m 4f ch) 1, LEGAL SUGAR (M Harnett, 14-1): 2, Doublewageth (R Durwoody, 9-4 fsyl; 3, Manchridge (P Barton, 5-1). ALSO RAM: 3 High Ridge (N, 8 Royal Meror (4th), 10 Crowecopper (5th), 1 Tales A Bow (pu), Poler Express (pu), 8 ran. 10(, 8, 15, 10). N Manners at Swindon, Tote: £16.80: £3.80, £1.10,

£1.80. DF: £10.10. CSF: £42.44 2.30 (2m hole) 1, WHITHER GOEST THOU (0 Musphy, 8-1): 2, Destroy (C Brown, 14-1): 3, Bold Bluelon (B Dowlling, 7-1): 4, Auratic Dot (6 Merpaigh, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 for Suez (001), 7 Bold Roderick, 8 Pearl Run, 8 How Mow, 12 Cruden Bay, End Of The Road (5th), 20 Eneighs kd, General Breyfax, Morning Line, Risting, Sovereign, 33 Cone Pat, Delbury, Steamy, Sport Easy, Witshine Yeoman, 50 Last Trail, Keep Seuntering, Attain, Barrera Lad, Snowball, ilm, 24 rgn. Ink, St. hd. nt. 11. O Ripper at Newmarket. Tota: £19.50; 25.50, 24.50, £1.70, 12.40. DF: £21.10. CSF: £12.20. Tricast: £784.17. After a stewards' inquiry the first two placings reversed.

be very dangerous. Two fences in the back straight are particu-larly vulnerable to gusting cross winds."

No pacings reversed.

3.9 (3m 5f ch) 1. KNOCK HILL (G. Mernogh, 6-4 fav); 2. Play The Knave (S. Morshoad, 8-1); 3. Fixtherbert (E. Powell, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 Cette Slave (6th). 1-1 2 Sointuita Boy (4th). 14 Gelesburg (5th), 6 ren. 5l. 11. 8l. sh. hd, 8l. J. Webber at Banbury. Tota: 22.10; 21.80, £3.10. CSF: 212.77.

\$12.77

3.30 (2m 4f hdie) 1, SANDYLA (M Brennan, 18-1); 2. Salert Action (G Bradley, 11-2; 3, Etherandean (G Charles Jones, 5-1). ALSO RAT: 2 (av Staghound (4th). 4 Dylan's Pride (5th). 8 Speak No Ewil, 12 Phanosh's Tressure, 14 Skylerk Wonder (pu), 20 Anna 5 Mite, 50 Auction Royate (pu), 71 Anna 6 Gibbs, 10 Anna 6 Anna 7 Anna Ot £123.45 · Hexham aband

Welsh National acceptors

The Way 8-11-9, Ocor Letter 8-11-5, The Therker 8-11-5, Plundering 9-11-2, I Haventslight 7-11-1, Searsiny 7-10-13, The Langholm Diver 7-10-10, Ritwine N Reason 7-10-10, Strands Of Gold 7-10-7, Kurthi 11-10-7, Botands Cross 7-10-7, Jimbrook 8-10-8, Dare Hansel 8-10-5, Lucky Vane 11-10-5, Smartside 11-10-5, Arcient Spy 9-10-4, Baltymian 9-10-3, Mr Stugfit 9-10-2, Seared Path 8-10-2, Young Driver 8-10-2, Carch Phrase 8-10-1, Course Hunter 8-9-11, Why Forget 10-8-10, Knock Hill 10-9-10, Cortiere 11-9-10, Harvest Fortune 8-9-9, Fitzherbert 6-

9-9, Church Warden 7-9-8, Little Polivelr 89-8, Two Coppers 119-9, Macciver 86, Blackleigh Bridge 12-9-4, Covent Garden 86, Blackleigh Bridge 12-9-4, Covent Garden 88-9-2, Cermau, 8-9-0, Tacroy 12-9-0, Succeeded 9-9-0, Pennaps Lucky 9-8-13, Golden Knoll 7-8-12, Roh-A-Jornt 8-8-10, Leckie 11-8-10, Ronatos Carole 6-9-7, Round The Twest 10-8-7, Carole 6-9-7, Round The Twest 10-8-7, Carole 6-9-7, Tudimarrine 7-8-5, Golden Ministriel 7-8-1, Tudimarrine 7-8-4, Triska 10-8-4, Leckbury Lad 9-8-3, Le Grain Brain 8-8-2, Queensway Bry 7-8-2, Golden Homet 88-0, Dr Papper 9-7-13, Mighty Disaster 67-8, Printictly Call 12-7-1 and Bally Task 10-5-10. To be run at Chepstow, December 20.

#### Blackpool forced to play safe

Biackpool Borough have been forced to switch Sunday's attracsecond-round game with Hull to the Boulevard because safety restrictions have reduced their ground's capacity to slightly less than 2,000.

The consolation for Borough is that Hull will probably attract an attendance of about 6,000, providing a much bigger share of the receipts than Borough

could have expected at home.
This season's Challenge Cup, sponsored by Silk Cut, will have a record entry of 38 clubs, including the four top amateur sides, who have achieved a cherished ambition. cherished amhition by being restored to the competition. The amateur clubs will be this year's wioners of the Cumbria, Lancashire and Yorkshire cups and Heworth, of York, who led the new national amateur league table on December 1.

Mark Elia, the New Zealand centre who has played only 15 minutes for St Helens because of hamstring trouble, is to fly home by mutual agreement. However. Alex Murphy, the St Helens coach, says the player will be well season.

next season.

Carlisle and Keighley attempt to settle their John Player Trophy first-round tie at the third attempt tonight. The match was originally scheduled to be played last Sunday, but was postponed because Carlisle's pitch was unfit, while on Tursday the came are called.

on Tuesday the game was called off at Keighley's request because their players were unable to get time off work.

With Carlisle's pitch still waterlogged

With Carlisle's pitch still waterlogged, however, the match has been moved to Penrith's ground, 18 miles away. **TODAY'S FIXTURES** 

FOOTBALL Kick-off 7.30 unless stated CENTRAL LEAGUE: First divis

chester City v Sunderland. SOUTHERM LEAGUE: BILL Dellow Cup: Pirst round: Gravesend v Figher. RUGBY LEAGUE JOHN PLAYER CUP: First round: Carliste v Keighley (at Penrith, 8.0). OTHER SPORT

BADIMINTON: England select v Scotland (at Herelord).

BASKETBALL: Certsberg first division:
Nen: Team Polycell Kingston v Happy
Ester Bracknell (8.0).

REAL TENNIS: George Wimpey open
singles and doubles championships (al
Queen's Cub).

ROWING: Oxford University Inals.

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# FORM AREMA AUCTION did not run well on reappearance tast year (10-10) finishing 401 6th to Corzelro (10-10) here (2m 11, 2509, good to firm, Sept 25, 12 ran). COPGROVE (11-7) never close enough to strike a blow when 7th to Bellekino (11-2) in a seller at Ludlow (2m, 2846, good, Nov 25, 18 ran). DORNA'S BOY was always in rear on seasonal debut. Last season (10-7) finished a well-beaten 8th to Honeyman at Novicot Abbot (2m 150yd, 2748, good to firm, Aug 15, 12 ran). LUCKY FOUR (10-11) made some late progress but still finished out of the first 8 in a NH Flat race won by Autumn Sport (11-8) at Bangor (2m 0f £1173, good, Nov 7, 20 ran). Selection: AREMA AUCTION 1.45 ISEFLO IODINE CHALLENGE CUP NOVICE CHASE (£1,772: 2m 17) (14 runners) .45 ISEFLO KODINE CHALLENGE CUP NOVICE CHASE (2 1 010PP0 SALTHOUSE (C) (R Turvey) C Pophem 8-12-0 2 (08-301 JAMMY EDWARDS (D) (Dr O Cheeney) O Cheeney 5-11-12 3 214PQ/P ARRWAR (Mrs M Langley-Pope) R Hodges 7-11-7 4 0PP/P-00 BIDDLESWAY (Mrs (1 Milar) W Fisher 11-11-7 0 UP4PPP CUDDLY BEAR (J Peant) N Ayliffe 8-11-7 12 0P490-F NARCH FANDANGO (A Congdon) A Congdon 7-11-7 13 0P1420 NRB SEAGULL (H Handel) H Handel 8-11-7 15 4022/04 SCALE THE HEIGHTS (P Buckley) P Duggins 7-11-7 16 340000 BROCHE (T BISH) K BISHOP 5-11-5 17 0400-4 BURNS LAD (BP) (P Winging N Lee-Judson 5-11-5 22 PUP-0PF SAM'S FRIEND (Mrs 8 Suchanek) Mrs J Berrow 5-11-5 24 (F-4003 HOPEFUL CHIMES (Mrs J Ducker) R Dixen 7-11-2 25 40332F- LUCKY GOLD (P Taplin) Miss L Bower 9-11-12

1985: No corresponding race

FORM JIMMY EDWARDS (11-5) hung on to beat invisible Ring (11-5) a nack with BURNS LAD (11-5) 16i away 4th, HOPEPUL CHIMES (11-2) 7th, BIDDLESWAY (11-7) 9th, SALTHOUSE (12-0) behind, CUIDDLY BEAR (11-7) pulled up and MARCH FANDANCO (11-7) and the tence tabler here (2m 11, 27) 8, good to soft, Nov 20, 14 ran). Subsequently HOPEPUL CHIMES (10-9) 113/3 and to Cantable (10-9) with BROCKE (11-0) 5! back in 5th and SAM'S FRIEND (11-0) a 3rd last talker at Luctow (2m, 21487, good, Nov 25, 12 ran). FOLLY HILL's (10-10) best effort this season was on reappearance when 22% 3rd to Honeygrove Banker (11-4) at Kempton (2m H, 23681, good, Oct 18, 5 ran). LUCKY GOLD (10-10) 1½ 4th to Miss Maina (10-10) at Windsor (2m, 215), good to soft, Nov 17, 13 ran).

#### UTTOXETER

#### Selections By Mandarin

1.00 Aldro. 1.30 Jennie Pat. 2.00 Rouspeter. 2.30 Cape Town Girl. 3.00 Dunstoo. 3.30 Spanish Reel.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 SPANISH REEL.

Going: soft (chase course); good to soft (hurdles) 1.0 SUDBURY CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£1,620: 2m) (8 runners) ...... M Bowlby
...... C Dennis (7)
........ N Feero
....... Il Hogg (7) 97 7-2 93 6-1 92 F5-4 1.30 NORBURY NOVICE CHASE (£2,804: 3m 2f) (16 runners) 30 NORBURY NOVICE CHASE (£2,804: 3m 2f) (16 runners)

1 428F-21 BACKLOG (J Dalton) J Dalton 8-11-6

3 341132 LORD LAURENCE (D.BF) (Mrs. L Desley) O Gardolfo 7-11-6

0 0-4301 SPARTTAN ORIENT (H Geddes) J King 10-11-3

7 3421-F1 JENNIE PAT (J Thompson Farme Ltd) G Richarde 8-11-1

9 084-U- CARDEN SPIRIT (W Wints) R Franch 8-10-12

10 000-12F DEEP ALBURNI (Mrs. N Partsh) J Parsh 7-10-12

11 094-273 FFTY BUCKS (B) (E Winestley) Mrs. M Ramell 6-10-12

12 PPPUS GENERAL SANDY (Miss. A Chitem-Hunty J Bosley 8-10-12

14 39F-09F HAWORTH PARK (J Wright) G Ham 7-10-12

15 04-422 JAPLING (J Thomps J Thomps 8-10-12

18 444000- LE SARTTHOIS (B) (B Lay) B Lay 9-10-12

19 328-PP) SEVEN ACRES (G Bebbage) Mrs. M Babbage 8-10-12

20 329PP) SEVEN ACRES (G Bebbage) Mrs. M Babbage 8-10-12

COOLEK (R Burton) Mrs. W Sykos 10-10-7

20 404/F4-0 LOUER CANDY (Mrs. A Watesham) J Webber 7-10-7

1985: GALESBURG 6-10-12 O Browne (4-5 lay) N Gassley . M Dwyer Exampledy . S McNeill ..... P Tuck S J O'Neill 93 6-1 93 3-1 93 4-1 9 99 F5-2 ..... N Feem (7)
..... 2 Morshead
..... M Bosley (4) 91 8-1 76 --93 --93 10-1 90 --

Mr A Lay (7) a Dowling (7) . N Babbage

1985: GALESBURG 6-10-12 O Browne (4-5 lav) N Gasolee 12 ran 2.0 DECEMBER HANDICAP CHASE (£2,208: 2m 4f) (9 runners) Mr G Johnson Houghtyon
C Smith

1985: PREMIER CHARLIE 7-10-6 G Bradley (13-2) M Hinchilfle 7 ran

Course specialists

Rides Per Cent 94 14.9 61 14.0 56 14.3 53 11.3 100 9.0 2.30 CUBLEY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (2790: 2m) (13 runners) 91 4-1 90 — 91 — 92 —

2 000-2F1 NABEEH (II) (M Bray-Cotton) W Clay 4-11-8 (5cx).
4 0010-2S NABEEH (II) (M Bray-Cotton) W Clay 4-11-8 (5cx).
5 UF-0000 SHARED EXPERIENCE (R Downsti) R Hartop 5-11-6.
6 443-0F0 HOUTON LANE (B) (P Christotorou) Mess A King 5-11-2.
7 00000- LYSITHEA (R Heddisch) T Bulgin 5-11-2.
8 000010 CAPE TOWN GIRL (D) (M Bowker) M Bowker 4-11-2.
9 0420-004 COUL WOLLOW (D Jones) 2 Cambridge 5-10-11.
9 0420- KUWAIT LEEL (A Morris) F Jordan 4-10-10.
2 F-008P SILENT SHADOW (A Blackmord) A Blackmord 5-10-9.
3 P0-009-9 SECRET SIOUX (B) (B Derbyshire) 0 McClain 4-10-9.
6 PP009-9 GLENN'S SLIPPER (D Edwards) M Box 659 5-10-9. ... T Bethe (7) A Hurphy (7) .... A C'Hegen H Carson (7) 0300-02 KAMAROCK (Mrs C Cursor) C Spares 4-10-9 N Car 140044 PR CORNELIUS (B) (F Garton) F Barton 5-10-9 Nr. J Cabou 1985: BURLEY HILL LASS 4-10-7 P Tuck (10-1) R Woodhouse 13 ran

3.0 ROCESTER NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-O: £685: 2m 4f) (16 runners) 01 CORNISH PRINCE (M Haywood) W Whatton 11-2
03 BOLD IN COMBAT LI Browne Con Co Light Casey 10-10.
08 COUTURE COLOR (Coubure Marketing Ltd) J Medice 10-10
DURSTON (T Ramsderd A Bakey 10-10.
0 GARTHMAN LI Medice 10-10
GURNER MAC (F McHate) N Bycroft 10-10.
0 DUE SONG (Mrs L Rudd) R Hollersbead 10-10.
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294342 ICLOSTERBRAU (Mrs. P. Joynes) J. Spearing 10-10
3 RAFFLES ROGUE (D. Redmile) M. Carascho 10-10
SONNENDEW (Mrs. M. Strictland) R. Woodhouse 10-10
00 STRAW FOX (N. Smith) N. A. Smith 10-10
620 CITY AND SUBURBAN (R. Siede) R. Jurkes 10-5
P. IONOCKALENA (W. Easom) H. Reming 10-5
MSS ARON (R. Owed) N. Whiting 10-5
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1985: IBN MAJED 10-10 J McLaughiin (12-1) C Spares 15 ran 3.30 LADBROKE HANDICAP HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,774; 2m) (11 runners) 1103-00 WARWICK SUITE (V,D) (P Davies) M Naughton 11-7\_ 2 1107-00 WARWICK SUTE (V,D) (P Daviss) M Asughton 11-7 M Hammond
4 0332-0 LINFAST (B) (E Lodge) J Perret 11-4 Steve Knight
5 00321- SYREMX (F Barlow) M Naughson 11-2 R Stronge
6 24-3112 SYANISH REEL (D,BF) (S Davies) J Edwards 11-2 P Barlon
7 100041- TOPSOR (D) (T Ramsden) O Wintle 11-1 A Carroll
6 0000-14 PEACE TERMS (D) (J Enris) G Bichards 11-1 P Tieck
12 310002- HCKLING SOURES (D) (Hicking & Squires Ltd) W Wharton 10-12 S J O'Neil
13 B3-200 BUTTS BAY (P Carlor) J Old 10-10 C Liewellyn (7)
14 02042-0 JELLEAR (O A Famidon Eig Co Ltd) R Woodhouse 10-8 O Deliver (7)
15 230-02 CONTACT KELVIN (Mrs M Ashton) N Bycrott 10-3 Č Grant
16 00310-0 KHATTI HAWK (B,D) (N Townsend) C James 10-0 R

1985: MERRY JAME 10-10 K Burke (8-1) E Owen Jun 14 ram Course specialists **JOCKEYS** 

P Barton R Crank G McCourt P Warner S J O'Neil

Colclough makes his bench mark By Sydney Friskin

HOCKEY

Cambridge University ... 1

Guildford .... Tony Colclough, a Welsh international, took the field as a international, took the field as a substitute, scored twice and transformed defeat into victory for Guildford over Cambridge University at Feooer's yesterday, Guildford, maintaining their unbeaten record, moved up to second place on the Pizza Express London League table with a percentage of 88.88, behind Teddington, who have a

100 per cent record.

For the first quarter of an hour Guildford controlled, Organ striking up good combina-tions with Williams and Naylor. After that Cambridge, inspired y Stenner's authority in midfield, took up the ruoning and Shafiq at centre forward became a constant threat to the Guild ford defence.

Cambridge nearly scored in the cighteenth minute from the second of three short corners. The ball was cleverly worked to Cootes, whose attempt to score, however, was frustrated near the line by Naylor.

Persistence paid Cambridge a rich dividend when they took the lead in the 29th minute. Stenner setting up a chance for Shafiq to draw the goalkeeper out and score. Cambridge were overjoyed three minutes after the interval when Ghauri raced away on the right and hit the target. But the umpires con-ferred after one of them had sported a midfield infringement by Cambridge and the game was restarted by a free hit to Guildford.

Up to that time nothing had gone right for Guildford, who took off Williamson and brought on Colclough. He was successful in the tenth minute of the second half from Guildford's first short corner of the match, rushing in 10 push the ball across the line after the shot by Caims from the top of the circle had been deflected by a defender's stick. Five minutes later, with some

help from Knapp, Colclough raced through the middle and scored at the second attempt, his first shot having come back off In the closing minutes Cam-

bridge forced two short comers but could make nothing of them and almost on time Bowerman scored off a long corner for Guildford.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: 'S Wilson (Christ's Hospital and Magdalene); "G Stimmon (KCS Windledon and Downing), "M Partington (Millingt and Emmanuel). "R Pughe (Wallington and Fitzwillam), E Castansklold (Bedford and Magdalene), C Bed "Para and Magdalene). C Bed "Para and Magdalene". Cassensaron (Beorott and Magdalene), C Beil "J Stowner (Perse and Magdalene), C Beil (Portsmouth HS end Magdalene), "P Cootes (Portsmouth HS end Magdalene), "S Gheuri (Kingston GS and ST Catharine's), "A Shaffi (Cateriam and Downlog), "G Pitcher (St Albans and St Catharine's), GUBLOFORD: T Rept.; I Carley, A Cairns, G Bowsmon H Ferniers K Gribble, D GURLDHOMD: T Read: I Carley, A Cairns, G Bowerman, H Ferguson, K Grabile, D Williams, R Organ, M Williamson (sub: T Colclough), J Naylor, D Knapp. Umpines: B Anderson (Eastern Counties) and Marsh (Southern Counties).

In the remeining London League match yesterday Oxford University deleated London University 4-2 at the Perks, Oxford.

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

Bollinger Champagne, who have sponsored the National Hunt jockeys' championship for the last 24 years, are to extend their iovolvement in the sport by supporting a novice chase at Ascot on April 15. The race, over 2½ miles, will carry added

By Keith Macklin

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W Indies

kings

of one-day

match Sharjah (Reuter) - The West Indies thrashed Sri Lanka by

193 runs yesterday to clinch the

Champions Trophy and con-firm their unofficial title as the

kings of the one-day match.
They had already beaten the
World Cup winners, India, and
the Australasia Cup holders.

Pakistan, io the four-team con-

test and thus won the \$32,000

first prize.
The West Indies were quite

devastating yesterday. Sent in to bat after the Sri Lankan captain,

Duleep Mendis, won the toss, they smashed 248 runs for the loss of five wickets on a perfect

batting wicket - a record-equalling score for the Sharjah

The West Indies' awesome

pace battery then went to work and the Sri Lankan batsmen had

no answer to the speed of Malcolm Marshall, Courtney Walsh, Anthony Gray and Wio-

ston Benjamin. The mao of the match, Walsh

snatched the glory from Ritchie Richardson, who hit 109, as he retired five batsmen — the last

four clean bowled - 10 fioish with the astonishing figures of

4.3-3-1-5. Sri Laoka's new opening pair.

Brendon Kuruppu and Rosham Mahanama, made a steady start

but when Kurrupu was run out, a sensational slide was set in

The last eight wickets crashed

for only 10 runs and Sri Lanka's total of 55 was their lowest in

one-day internationals.

The West Indies captain, Viv

Richards, singled out the perfor-mances of Walsh and Richard-

son. He said they were great players who would improve in

comiog years. Richardson said:

We oever take any opposition lightly and Sri Lanka was no

exception. We proved today that we are a great side."

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Extras (b 1, b 5)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-132, 2-220, 8-221 4-242, 5-245.

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BOWLING: De Mei 9-1-48-1, Ratnayake 9-2-30-1, Labrooy 7-0-J R Ramayeke 9-0-59-3, Gurusinghe 51-0, Ranawinge 2-0-18-0.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-22, 3-45, 4-45, 5-50, 6-51, 7-51, 8-51, 8-51.

BOWLING: Marshall 5-1-16-1, Gray 5-0-16-0, Benjamin 6-0-13-0, Harper 9-4-8-2, Watsh 4-3-3-1-5.

Matthew Syed, of Reading, and Andrea Holt, of Bury, are favourites for the singles titles io

the Eoglish under-17 table ten-

nis championships at Macclesfield this weekend. Syed is

aiming in repeat the success of

his elder brother Andrew, who

won the title in 1983, while Miss

Holt is going for a third singles

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HOCKEY Colclough makes his bench

mark By Sydney Friskin

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## Crack of boom leaves White Crusader with stigma of jinxed crew

From Keith Wheatley, Fremantle

Misfortune contioues to Cudmore said. "The bow went stalk White under and swept the genoa off Crusader. A the deck." White Crusader rounded broken boom, io totally unexpected circumthe secood mark in some stances, wrecked ber chances disarray lmin 27sec behind to win yesterday's race against French Kiss, Cudmore and French Kiss. The accident Chris Law took the decisioo to happened on the ruo towards proceed around the course but the first leeward mark. White without using a headsail or spinnaker. This explained Crusader had led around the weather mark by 18sec after a why the French were 10min fierce tacking duel up the first ahead at the next mark beat. Encouragingly the Bril-isb yacht was able to better French Kiss in identical con-

CHALLENGER RESULTS: Stars and Stripes by America II, 12min Dissec, New Zealand by Heart of America, 3:27; Italia by Azzurra, 14:41; USA by Chellenge France, 11:29; Franch Riss by White Cruseder, rot Caneda II by Eagle, 6:16. ditioos to the race last month, which was won by the French. Any celebrations, however, stopped with the failure of the Australian-built boom. Ironically it had been put on the boat as a safety measure because of the 30-knot winds and two-metre seas. "We didn't have our carbon fibre

boom on because we were

being conservative," a dis-

down the face of a wave when

the boom swung in about 10ft

the boom fractured.

equipment.

consolate Harold Cudmore said after the race. "We thought it more prudent to bave the heavy-duty gear on DEFENDER RESULTS: Kookaburra II bt South Australia, 14:59; Australia IV bt Steak 'n' Kidney, 2:46. Bye: Kookaburra This is standard equipment and none of them has ever suffered a breakage like

this before. We're scratching our heads, quite frankly. There doeso't seem to be a technical problem with this TODAY'S RACES: Australia IV v Knoke-burra III; Knokeburra II v Sasak 'n' Kidney. Bye: South Australia. White Crusader was surfing

under the sudden burst of Cudmore had probably the speed. As it swung out again, better of a rather desultory start. Both boats crossed the line simultaneously but White At the time, White Crusader was trying to cross ahead of Crusader was tucked down to French Kiss, which had sethe left at the pin end of the cured an inside overlap on the line, where Cudmore clearly final run into the mark, Sevwanted to be. Every other eral other things went wrong, leading skipper to win yes-"One thing tends to lead to terday from Dennis Conner to

another in these situations," Chris Dickson adopted the same tactic.

At the first cross Cudmore had to dip the stern of French Kiss but he carried on port tack and then busily protected a lead. Each time the boats came back together the British were a fraction shead. It demonstrated beyond doubt that in the beavy conditions that had been the preferred element of the Kiss team, White Crusader had superior speed. But what will it profit a crew who cannot keep their

boat logether in 30 knots of

Around the docks White Crusader is acquiring the reputation of being a beat with a jinx. Too many races that should have been won have turned into defeats. Few in the Cup community have any doubt in Cudmore's ability or the calibre of the boat and crew. The Irish skipper professes not to believe in bad luck, preferring instead a universe of cause and effect. Yet demons and gremlins are bringing all of this down. There may just be one chance

left - but no more.
In the other challenger races, Dennis Conner annihilated America II. The skipper, John Kolius, lost two men overboard in the high seas, but he was already 3min behind. It was the second defeat in a row for America II and morale in the camp of the former Cup favourites is low.

Selectors

look for

reliability

By George Ace

One could be forgiveo for thinking that the Irish selectors iodulged more in a trip down memory lane oo Monday eve-

ning when they met to name the teams and substitutes for the final trial at Lansdowne Road

Names such as Terry Ken-nedy, last capped in 1981 against Australia; Willie Dun-can, England, 1984; and John O'Driscoll, Scotland, 1984, hardly suggest forward thinking. And as Michael Gibsoo and

Brian Spillane command the No. 8 spot respectively on the Probables and Possibles after Munster's inter-provincial

whitewash speaks volumes for

the persuasive tounges of Munster's two selectors. Jim Kiernan and Johnny Moroney. That the selectors would

name the team that comprehen-

sively defeated Romania as their senior side was entirely predictable. And there can be few complaints about the com-

position of the men behind the scrum in the Possibles side.

Strin in the Possions suc.
Since Brady dislocated a shoulder at a club game oo Tucsday
night, Tony Doyle, the Leinster
captain, would have been play-

had eased him out. Laughroek, understudy at

loose-bead prop to Phil Orr on the Leinster side, is a surprise

choice on the Possibles but it is

significant that the three props

who shared Ulster duty this season, Jim McCoy, Peter Millar and Brian McKibbin, are

io attendance, as is the booker, John McDonald.

But it is the composition of

the Possibles back row that defies logic. O'Driscoll and Duncan are birds of a feather,

fierce competitors and doughty fighters when the chips are

down. But the only realistic chance of a back row place is

held by O'Driscoll, and that is at

And on the subject of No. 8s, the loss of form of David Morrow has raised a few ques-

north has faised a lew ques-tions. The Bangor man made one inter-provincial appearance for Ulster against Munster in Cork and his performance was in keeping with one who had been named Ulster player of the

year for his exploits last season when he made two international

appearances. Now oot even a seat oo the substitute beach

oo December 20.

The surprise of the day in the defender series was the near defeat of Australia IV. A vastly improved Steak 'n' Kidney, without a win in the first 20 races, led her around seven legs to the final mark. Only a blown-out genoa and damaged headfoil saved the face of the Bond syndicate.

**TENNIS** 

## Davis Cup hitch to league

The new Mortgage Corporation national league, a men's indoor team competition, has already struck a snag — two mooths before its loaugural fixtures. Except for the April final, the evect will be played on three weekends in February and March, and Britain's Davis Cup team and their entourage will be io California duriog the matches scheduled for February 14 and

The eight teams to this protocompetitioo have been split ioto two groups for a home and away series, every team playing a total of six matches. The first relevant weekend will be February 7 and 8, and the last March 28 and 29. At least foor teams — Aston Villa, Croydon,
Heston and Woking — can
expect to be short of key players
for the intervening matches, on February 14 and 15.

Aston Villa, Bramhall, Hes-ion and Leeds form one group and Bournemouth, Croydon, Telford and Woking make up the other. The managers have until January I to submit the names of six players but already five teams are provisionally taking shape. The players coo-cerned include Britaio's most recent Davis Cup singles players - Jeremy Bates, Andrew Castle, John Lloyd and Stephen Shaw — plus the national champion, Stuart Bale, and the Davis Cup

coach. Mark Cox.
Casile and Cox are expecte in sign with Aston Villa, Lloyd and Bale with Heston, Bates with Croydoo and Shaw with Woking. Other competitors are expected to include Peter Flem-

Jane Forrest: ace of clubs (Photograph; Tony Spencer)

ing, Nick Brown and Richard Whichello (Hestoo), Buster Mottram and Robin Drysdale (Croydon), Nick Fulwood and Chris Bradman (Telford), and David Felgate, Mike Appleton and Jeremy Dier (Woking). John Lloyd has a home at Palm Springs and has been asked to practise with Britain's io Mexico from March 13 to 15. The early preparation for Mex-

Davis Cup team during their ico means that Heston, like Aston Villa, are likely to be sbort of two players during the second weekend of the national team event. Managers are re-stricted to six players and four must play. Lloyd's brother, David, the

Heston team manager, said yesterday: "The sponsors want the best teams to get in the final the best teams to get in the final but if two players are away for two matches — a third of the programme — that might not happen. The dates are a problem, especially with the Davis Cup coming in the middle. Otherwise the league is a great idea and it will go well."

Lloyd (David, that is), was confident that Hestoo would soon have a sponsor. He said they had been prepared to lose

they had been prepared to lose up to £25,000 as an investment in promoting and marketing two new clubs his company planned to open. John Feaver, director of the national league, is encouraged by the way sponsors coming forward in back their

responding to the managers' requests for help in attracting

ers on the way down and younger British players who are, one hopes, on the way up. Whichello, aged 19, is the kind of player whose competitive ability should improve under

formidable gap between domes-tic and international

competition "I'm more bopeful now than I cootinue or resume competitive was at the beginning." Feaver

#### Navratilova beats Lloyd

an irritation under her left night. The match was the second Tucson (AP) - Martina an intration times as an interest in the kneecap
"I wouldn't have played this event if I wasn't confident that my knee is back in shape." Mrs. that Mrs Lloyd, aged 31, has played since she withdrew from the tour last mooth because of a Navratilova, the world's topraoked woman player, beat her second-ranked fellow-Ameri-can, Chris Lloyd, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, io knee injury. She has been undergoing treatment in Florida for an exhibition match oo Tuesday

said, "that we may have one or two players who are ranked in the top 40. Signing the top players is unlikely, because of their schedule and the cost. But there will still be a lot of wellknown names to excite the public and give the leading British players fierce com-petitioo. Companies are

good players."

A team can include only one of the eight most highly ranked British players and only one overseas player (for example, Fleming). The league should provide good entertainment, with healthy compenion between formerly prominent play-

There is reason in hope that as standards rise, the league's in-come grows and better overseas players are tempted to take part, the team event will increasingly help British players to bridge the

To some extent the league will catch the flavour of one-day cricket. Every match will be over io a day. The four singles and one doubles will all be restricted to one set with a te-break at 6-all: in other words, short hursts of action that should induce the over-30s to

Doubling up

Scotland nave appointed Brian Anderson (Currie) and Jim Fleming (Boroughmuir) as their two referees for the World Cup in Australia and New Zealand next year. Ray Megsoo (Edinhurgh Wanderers) is the first receive. first reserve.

beckons Morrow.

## Revised club championship structure is taking shape

Up and away: Stars and Stripes shakes off America II at the start of their challenger series race for a convincing victory

RUGBY UNION: SPONSORS AT THE READY AS A NEW ERA APPROACHES

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

By the end of this month both the structure of next year's English club championship and the sponsors of the new com-petition should be known. The Northern Divisioo this week became the third of the four divisions to present their scheme to the Rugby Football Uoioo while on December 16 the RFU finance committee will hope to take a step nearer concluding a half-million pound package hocking the

The RFU have concluded that one sponsor, with a miniyears (they have four companies expressing interest) offers the greatest, and simplest, benefit to

rugby.
The major clubs, who worked out their own deal with Courage Ltd, the brewers, before the national merit tables came into being, have expressed reserva-tions about the RFU proposals. However, the RFU remains optimistic that companies wisbing to invest in rugby will find ways of doing so via local cup which will exist outside the club

There are six northern clubs ment tables, Sale and Orrell in table A, Waterloo, Gosforth, Liverpool/St Heleos and Headingley in table B. Clubs nominated to national division three will be elected in the following order: West Hartle-pool, Vale of Lane, Wakefield, Fylde, Morley, Sheffield.

A minimum of two of those

six clubs will go into division three, depending on whether none or four oorthern clubs are placed to the first four in the current ment table C. Additional cominces to the North Area League (for which there are

six nominations) are Roundhay and Broughton Park. Below this level will be the oorthern division, coosisting of two leagues. If two clubs are io national division three, the oorth division league one will read thus: Birkenhead Park, Northern, Durham City, Pres-Northern, Durpam City, Pres-too Grasshoppers, Hartlepool Rovers, Middleshrough, Winnington Park, Harrogate, West Park, Otley, Widnes, if up in six clubs are in oanonal divisioo three, the following clubs will be added, to order: Hull, Wigtoo, Keodal, Tynedale.

If it all sounds complex, provision has to be made for

this season's results. So north division league two, from which two would be promoted to league one, will read: Hull, Wigton, Kendal, Tynedale, wigion, Kenoai, Tytestait, Halifax, Bradford and Bingley, Manchester, Aspatria, New Brightoo, Wilmslow and Huddersfield. If op to six clubs are in national division three. Alnwick, Davenport, Gateshead Fell and Lymm win consideration.

Assuming two clubs in na-onal division three, the regional leagues read thus:

MORTH-WEST DIVISION ONE: Davanport, Lymra, Southport, Wigan, Chester, 
Wirnel, Mid-Chesthra, Netherhell, Carliste, 
Rochetals, Caldy.
NORTH-EAST DIVISION ONE: Annufox, 
Gatasthead Fell, Westoe, Wherterlete, 
Morpellin, Old Brodleians, Old 
Crossleyans, Ripon, Rotherham, Sendal, 
Thornerstans, 
NORTH-WEST DIVISION TWO: 
Egresnort, Blankburn, Sedgeley Park, 
Workington, Penritth, Cockermouth, 
Warrington, Sendbach, Heaton Moor, 
Leigh, Newton-le-Williows, 
NORTH-EAST DIVISION TWO: Blaydon, 
Beverley, Keightley, Selby, Novocastrians, 
Old Hymerians, Pocklington, Pontefract, 
Ryton, Stockton, York, 
DIVISION WEST TWO: Chester College, 
South Liverpool, Hightlewn, Moore, Old 
Instolians, Port Sunlight, Ruskin Park, 
Setton, St Mary's OB, Vulcan, Wallassoy, 
DIVISION EAST TWO: Ashton-on-Mar-

## All hands on deck

By David Hands

Neither Londoo nor the North anticipate problems in fielding their selected teams for the first round of the divisional championship on Saturday. Both squads trained on Tuesday evening and London's three casualties, Roh Lozowski (Wasps), Maurice Colclough (Swansca) and Simon Smith (Richmond) were passed fit.
Lozowski has recovered from

a knee injury, Colclough from a suspected case of numps and Smith from a bruised elbow. The North, whose forwards worked at Wilmslow, have only one doubt, whether Martio Whitcombe, the Bedford and Yorkshire prop, will have recovered from a groio strain. Paul Huntsman (Headingley) will re-place him if required.

Moseley, having studied a video-recording of an incident during their game last mooth against Londoo Welsh in which Stuart Russell, the Welsh flanker, sustained a detached retins, believe the injury — said by the Exiles to have been caused by a punch - was a complete accident.

The Barbarians, whose team to play Leicester on December 27 is likely to have a French look to it, will play an additional match this season, against the New Zealand Barbarians oo April 1 at Cardiff. The New Zealanders, oo a golden jubilee tour, will also meet Leicester oo March 18, Ballymena (March 25) and South of Scotland at

COUPONS PHONEFREE 0800 400 400 Gala (March 29). A competitor who challenged the chauvinistic domain of golf and is still smiling

summer, she took home a cheque

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golf club, may be regarded by chagginists as yet another infiltration of male preserves by ... the monstrous regimen of women".
Certainly coverage of Miss
Walker's appointment has suggested that — Mary Holway's
brief tenure at Cottesmore apart - bers was the first time that a woman had become a club Jane Forrest, who made her

Newcastle, as well as Vivien Seunders's purchase of her own

amairer name is golf as Jane
Panter, has allowed herself the
lucury of a wry smile. Having
passed the PGA school at
Lilleshall in 1982, she became
professional at Whalley Golf Club in the Ribble Valley in Lancashire some years before Miss Walker's appointment; somehow she managed to com-bine her duties as a club professional with tournament

appearances for two and a half Her appointment closely followed her marriage to David Forrest, who works as a graphic designer in Blackburn, when he is not candying for his wife on the circuit. He plays off a 17 handicap but caddying duties obtrade and last summer, during his five-week holiday, he caddled for Jame in six

She resigned her post at time, early in her tenure, when her winning cheque on that Whalley o couple of years ago in the realization that when she member's 5-wood by removing she won the Dutch Open last Walker as full professional at the Warren Golf Club and of was concerned with her duties as Jeany Lee-Smith to Parklands, a cinb professional, teaching or in the shop, she felt that she should be practising, ready for her next tournament; but when she arrived to compete on the circuit, she was continually worrying what might be going

Forrest swaps club for tournaments

wrong at the club.
Financially, the years when
Jane was a club professional were adequate rather than exciting basically the very nature of the two jobs that she was attempting concurrently, were essentially opposed. It is no surprise now that Mickey Walker has made it quite clear

that from now on "... playing golf will be very secondary". In Jane's words: "It was a tremendous help that David was easily earning enough for as to live on. What I made was a beaus. During my two and a half years as pro at Whalley, I did not lose money but I definitely could not have survived if what I made at the club and earned as a tournament player had been my only source of income." It is is interesting to note that Mrs Forrest's tournament earnings from eight years on the women's circuit amounted to £50,000; this

seems fair enough until a glance at the other side of the coin reveals that her expenses approached £30,000. Money aside, she experienced few problems. There was the

the shaft and ruined the head by drilling straight through it. ("I had to give her another one.") Strangely, perhaps, she experienced absolutely no resentment or chauvinism: "No one was rude or anpleasant. Perhaps the folks who resented me getting the job just kept away; but a low handicapper asked for a lesson as soon as I arrived and that started things off. I was asked every week to play in men's four balls and I went into the club house for a drink with the members each Saturday after golf. If there was chauvenism, I

was not aware of R. Perhaps I was too young and naive to know it was there."

Long before Jane Panter, under the influence of her menter, Peter Geddes, the Clitherne professional, made the England girle's terminal made the England girls' team and reached the final of the northero womeo's champiouship at Carlisle in her late teens, she had decided that she wanted to be a professional

was not aware of it. Perhaps I

golfer. She was one of the first to join the women's professional ranks in 1979 and won the Earopeao Match Play Championship in that season, beating Mariel Themson in the

for £6,500, which may be a derisory sum when compared with the men's earnings, but nevertheless represents a big step forward from the early days Mrs Forrest will be playing less, though she hopes to take her place on the tournament scene from time to time next year. The main reason is that she is having a baby in April. If there is any fairness or justice in hereditary, the child will be persocable, intelligeot and

attractive and one day will recall with pride the fact that his or her mother earned a mique distinction in golf. Essentially an equable and friendly person, Mrs Forrest could not stand eight years in the demanding world of tournament

golf without discovering how speedily triumph can be trans-lated into disaster, and vice versa: "My best and my worst moment came on the same day at My happiest moment was walk-ing up the 18th with a five-shot lead again and the Dutch Open virtually won."

She also won one of the Carisberg tournaments, which were helping to get the women's circuit off the ground, and remembers with amusement that

Hilversum this summer. I fluffed a chip on the first hole of one-shot lead. I consciously thought then: 'God! I haven't got it in me to win a tournament."

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## Martin's swift return is precisely what the doctor ordered

set-back to their champion-ship desires, West Ham United hope to feature the return of Alvin Martin, their England centre back, after an nosence of two months against Southampton at Upton Park

on Saturday .
John Lyall, the manager, scoffed vesterday at a suggestion that he was poised to sign Derek Statham, the West Bromwich Albion defender, and said that the only transfer be was interested in at the moment was that of Martin from friendly to serious ac-

on.

Steve Penney, of Brighton,
The four-goal hammering the Northern Ireland inter-West Ham received from Newcastle United bas be out of action for three prompted them to accelerate weeks with a knee injury.
Martin's recovery pro- Penney missed Brighton's first gramme. His jarred knee yes-away win of the season at terday withstood the third Sheffield United on Saturday friendly organized for his and the manager, Alan benefit in the last week and Mullery, said that Penney now the training staff will must rest for 10 days before push him hard over the next resuming training. Better news three days in the bope that they can have him back in the field player, Dale Jasper, does first team by Saturday.

games and be's not far off it But he will still be sidelined now. I'll talk to him on Friday for at least 10 days. to see how he feels and we'll Mullery should know later take it from there." Lyle said. "It's been a painful injury and Danny Wilson, faces a lengthy an unusual one but fortu- lay-off because of his thigh nately there's no serious dam- injury. Terry Connor, the age to the knee. Paul Hilton club's top scorer, is making a bas done a tremendous job in his absence but with Alvin injury while Chris Hutchings you're talking about a highly and Gerry Armstrong are experienced international."

Martin last played 13 games ago at Sheffield Wednesday when scoring in a 2-2 draw. In

By Steve Bates

drought, is ready to promote a reserve forward, Nicky Wood, aged 20, for the club's crucial

televised game with Tottenham Hotspar on Smiday.

The new Old Trafford man-

ager, whose side have scored four goals in their last seven League games, last night watched Wood against the

Leicester reserves at Filbert Street in a United team which

included Bryan Robson, Gordon

Strachan, Norman Whiteside, John Siveback and Terry

Ferguson indicated he may

change the assault force of Frank Stapleton and Peter Davenport, who have scored

only five League goals each this

Ferguson said: "Nicky has got

a lot of talent and be has the hility to get into the first team.

He's very quick and although

CRICKET

**Century for** 

Wessels

on SA debut

East London (Reuter) - Kep

ler Wessels, the Australian Test

player born in South Africa, made a stylish debut for Kirn Hughes's "rebels" with an un-

beaten century on the second day of the three-day match

Wessels was given permission

to play for the Australians las

month after returning to South

Africa and starting a con-troversy over whether he should

play for his adopted country or the land of his birth.

to his inclusion by steering them

out of an awkward position with a fluent 100 not out in 196 minutes and 15 fours, as the Australians reached 232 for

four. Graham Yallop (45), a former Australian captain,

shared a fourth wicket partner-ship of 90 with Wessels.

his maiden first class century

with 127 as Border scored 358 in

their first innings against the

SCORES: Border 358 (B M Osborne 127, G L Hayes 74, L Wilmot 44). Kim Hughes's X1 232 for four (K C Wessels 100 not out, G N Yaltop 45).

Earlier Brad Osborne scored

Yesterday Wessels responded

against Border.

it's not always the best time to pressure on the players."

After last Sunday's televised intensified their League chalteam last night. Ramsey, the et-back to their champion-leage, recently going six hours. Irish international, bad not lenge, recently going six hours without conceding a goal. Until last weekend's defeat they were the only first division side unbeaten away from bome this season. With Martin restored to full

bealth, Bobby Robson, the England manager, will have his quota of central defenders to choose from for the forthcoming international against Spain in Madrid. In recent weeks Wright, Fenwick and Watson have edged their way towards complete recovery after injuries.

national winger, is expected to away win of the season at not have a stress fracture of "It's just been a question of the shin, as was first feared.

> this week whether the captain, good recovery from an ankle current expected to be fit for Saturday's bome game with

Bradford. The defenders, Russell Osman and Paul Ramsey, lined

bring in youngsters when the team is stuttering, sometimes they are so good they can force themselves in."

Wood, who has made two

substitute appearances for United, is their top Central

we'd get goals from every department." Since live television games

were introduced, United's record has been poor and with the club

languishing perilously close to the relegation zone with Christ-mas approaching, Ferguson admitted: "There will be a lot of

At Charterhouse played in damp, foggy conditions. Repton always looked stronger and more positive (George Chester-ton writes). Anderson scored

came back into the game either side of half-time. P Gillespie scored Repton's second at an-

other corner, shooting through a crowd of players.

New secretary

Sheffield Wednesday have ap-pointed Graham Mackrell, aged

36. as their new secretary in place of Dick Chester, who resigned to go into business last month. Mackrell, who started his career at Bourenemouth, spent four years at Luton Town

as secretary until leaving there on November 12.

Thais defend

Wood taking aim

at the big time

played since September because of a ligament injury, and Osman had missed the last three games with a hamstring problem. Bryan Hamilton, the manager, is hoping their reappearance is further proof of their readiness for action in the first division.

Ipwich Town's England under-21 international defender, Ian Cranson, is likely to be out for three weeks after sustaining a medial-ligament knee injury in Tuesday night's Full Members' Cup victory Rotherham United, struggling in the third division

yesterday signed the goal-keeper, David Felgate, on loan from Grimsby Town. Felgate, aged 26, will make his debut in tomorrow night's Freight Rover Trophy match at Halifax to replace the regular goalkeeper, Kelham goalkeeper, Kelham O'Hanlon, who has a broken bone in his hand. He is expected to miss the next three weeks of action.

Meanwhile, the Sheffield

Wednesday manager, Howard Wilkinson, has checked on the Middlesborough defender, Gary Pallister, who is rated at £500,000.

Oxford United are using a friendly against Oxford University as a fitness test for five players whom Maurice Evans wants to use against Luton Town on Saturday. Trevor Hebberd (Achilles tendon), John Trewick (broken nose), Jeremy Charles and Peter Rhoades-Brown, who have undergone cartilage operations, and Neil Slatter are

#### Spain topple Albania to lead group

Vienna (Reuter) — A goal in the \$3rd minute from Joaquin Alonso, celebrating his return to International competition after a four-year absence, gave Spain a 2-1 win over a robust Albanian side in a European Champion-sbip qualifier in Tirana

League scorer with seven goals in 10 games, but the United manager is also aware he could return Whiteside to the front-Joaquin tapped home a rebound following a bouncing left-foot shot from the captain, José line role where he started his career before being switched to contain from the captain, Jose Camacbo, to put Spain two points clear on top of group one with two wins from two matches, which have included two missed penalties. "We don't have a great deal of options up front but Norman is one of those we have." Ferguson said. "I've been very impressed with him since I came — he's a very good player. But if the team was playing confidently I'm sure

The Spaniards, runners-up in the 1984 championship, had trailed for much of the encounter, the first full interbetween the two countries. It was also the first football match to be broadcast live outside socialist Albania

In Nicosia, Greece, trailing 2l at halftime, hit back with two late goals to seize a 4-2 victory over Cyprus yesterday and went top of group five.

win 3-2. The first goal for the

visitors had come from Woodhead, their captain, with a

Samart Payakarun and fly-weight Sot Chitatada, will de-

weight Sot Children will defend their titles here next Wednesday. Payakarın will meet the Mexican, Juan Meza, the No 8 contender, while

Chitilada boxes against No 1 contender Gabriel Bernal, of

**SCHOOLS FOOTBALL** 

Repton finish in style

Repton finished their season on a happy note, beating both Charterhouse and Malvern 2-0. twice behind against Forest, to



The toast is Jennings: Kevin Keegan drinks to the health of Northern Ireland's goalkeeper (left) and his wife, Elnor. A testimonial match was staged for Jennings in Belfast last night

## A goalkeeper who finds joy in coming miles off his line

Every footballer playing pro-fessionally or at the higher levels of the part-time game has to come to terms with the large amount of travelling involved. Few, however, can have quite the problems that Kevin Charlton faces.

Not only does the Telford United goalkeeper have to com-bine his football commitments with his full-time job as a travelling sales representative, but he also has to make a 200mila round trip to every home match or training session. Charlton, who hopes to help Telford beat Altrincham in the

second round of the FA Cup on Saturday, lives in Anglesey, north Wales, exactly 100 miles from the Telford ground. The journey from his home through Snowdonia and into England never takes less than two hours and the forth heliday traffic. and a half and in boliday traffic in the early weeks of the season it can take more than five hours. "When I arrive home after a

midweek match at somewhere like Weymouth at five in the morning and have to get op for



Charlton: travelling man

the FA Cup last year he was undoohtadly tha decisive FA CUP

work a couple of hours tater I do doing the right thing," he said.
"But I wouldn't really want to
change anything. Telford are a
great cinb to play for and I've got
a good job with very understandhour in front of a crewd of more than 47,000 at Goodison Park

a good job with very understand-ing employers."

Charlton, an effervescent personality with a reputation as a dressing-room character, turned semi-professional eight years ago after being released by Hereford United. Bangor City offered him a part-time contract and when a nearby firm of toy wholesalers offered him a job as a sales representative he decided to move ioto tha area permanently.

The chance to join Telford came a year later. "I immediately started looking for work in the Telford area but there didn't

ship and promotion to the fourth division, pose a greater threat than League teams like Burnley, "We all hava a great respect for Altrincham," he said, "Our games against them are nearly always very tight and the fact

Good Evans!

so I decided I would just become a long-distance commoter. Anglesey is a bit out of the way, but I love it here."

Charlton, who has pursued his career despite the problems of being a diabetic, has long been regarded as one of the most talented goalkeepers in non-League football. He has played in the England semi-mo-David Evans, the Luton Town chairman, has responded to a cry for help from Caernarfon Town, the FA Cup glant-killers—and sent them £500. The in the England semi-pro-fessional team and has been a mainstay of Telford's recent FA Multipart League club, who are at home to York in Saturday's second round, spent £3,000 on Stan Storton, the Telford occasion player. He sometimes loses concentration in run-ofthe-mill league games, but I can hardly remember him making a mistake in a big match. He's saved us on several occasions.

The super interest in a provements after trouble during last month's clash against Stockport. "They wrote to a number of clubs, including us, asking for financial help," the Luton executive director, John Smith, said.

nndoohtadly tha decisive factor."
Despite having helped Hereford win the third division championship, Charlton, aged 32, has no doubt that Telford have provided the best moments of his clinh career, including victory in the FA Trophy final at Wembley and 10 FA Cup wins over League sides in the last five seasons. Two years ago he defied Everton for more than an hour in front of a crowd of more

before Telford lost 3-0.
"We seem to have the ability as n team to raise our game when
it's really needed," he said.
Saturday's visit by Altrincham ends Telford's sequence of 14 successive FA Cup deence of 14 successive FA Cup ties against League opposition. Charlton, however, belives that Altrincham, one of Telford's main challengers for the GM Vanxhall Conference champion

that we beat them 4-0 in the league a few weeks ago will count for nothing on the day."

#### **RUGBY UNION**

seem to be anything suitable," he said. "Anyway, I was happy living and working where I was so I decided I would just become

## Slick Sultan on crest of the wave

excelled, could call on some smart moves and subtle run-

ning. Their influence enabled Sultans to underline their

superiority in the second period.

Kellett, whose quick-witted-ness enabled Greenland to score

Sultan'a third try was the match's top scorer with nine

points from three conversions

and a well-taken dropped goal.

A penalty try, to which Kellett
added his conversion, signalled

FOR THE RECORD

**HMS Cochrane** ..

HMS Sultan ..... HMS Sultan, the marine engineering training establishment from Gosport, won the Royal Navy's knock-out cup final in an excellent match against HMS Cochrane from Rosyth, whom they beat by three goals, a try and a dropped goal to a goal, a

try and two penalty goals at the United Services ground, Ports-Thirty-two iodepeodent schools compete for the Corinthian-Casuals Challenge Cup at Forest School on December 17. mouth, yesterday

A strong wind at Cochrane's back helped them to a useful lead of 12-6 at the halfway stage hut, in a competition open to all-ranks in the British Isles, Sultan proved to be worthy

ATHLETICS

winners at the end of a splendid second half display in which 19 points tonk their aggregate in five matches to 175-31.

If Cochrane's beavy pack gave them an edge in the tight scrummages, then Sultan's clever backs, among whom Kellett, a Nevy cap, and McGeehan, and Greenland, the half-backs, excelled, could call on some the second half and following Kellett's dropped goal and Greenland's try, a fourth try by McGechan settled the matter.

SCORETS: HAUS Cochrane: Tries: Chambers, Washeled, Coursesion: Lothbouse (2).

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HMS SULTAN: MEM F Boon; MEA O Folwood, PO R McHale, LMEA A Kollett, CPO K Ayriss; LMEA II Greenland, APP M McGeerich: APP II Stevens, PO P Caridge, LPT A Quinn, APP M Limney, APP M P Brumning, CPO M Kidd, APP S Brignall, LPT T O Connor.

Referees: Maj J Globins (Army Rugby Union Society).

#### Mouland: fractured ankles Mouland hurt in car crash

Mark Mouland, the Midlanda-based Eoropean tour golfer, has broken both his ankles in a road accident at Dunchurch. His father, Sid Monland, who is the clab professional at Keailworth, said:
"He is lucky to be alive. The car

"Mark has no recollection of the crash. Ha was driving along one moment and woke up in hospital the next. His legs will be in plaster for about six

weeks."

Mouland, aged 25, is due to spend three weeks in West Indies next month, competing in some pro-am events and the Trinidad and Tobago Open. get fit quickly," his father said.
Last season was easily
Mouland's most successful. He
gained his first tour win in the
Car Care Plan international,
finishing thritieth in the Order
of Merit and playing for Wales
in the Dunhill Cup. His earnings
surpassed £50,000.

Trimusu Huu 10tage Then he plans to play in Australia during February if he can obtain some spousors' invitations."He still feels he has a slim chance of going to the West Indies and at least it provides an incentive for him to get fit quickly," his father said.

Women golfers have a reputa-tion of being prepared for any eventuality and they unanimously passed a resolution stating: "In the event of war or a

amateur out in the cold. John Hawksworth. a Walker Cup player last year, had a fraught final round of 76, for a total of John Vingoe, a young assistant from Mullion. After a third round of 52 he needed a fourth

of 65. He made it with a stroke 10 spare, thanks principally to an eagle-two at the 13th, where he holed a sand-wedge shot TOUT 9U 92TGS. LEADING SCORES: 270: S Tinning (Den) 61, 69, 69, 71, 276: J Hobday (SA), 70, 71 70, 65: W Smith (Aus), 66, 72, 68, 70, 278 O Gilford (GB), 68, 71, 69, 71; L Fielding (GB), 71, 72, 66, 70, 280: M Few (GB), 71 71, 69, 69; Il MacNiffan (US), 69, 67, 71 72, M Sepages (Sep. 73, 67, 71, 71)

the coveted piece of pasteboard, which will be distributed to the hucky 50 tomorrow evening, is his for the taking. Hobday's 10-under-par 276 is a laudable enough achievement, though it still leaves him, together with Wayne Smith (70), of Australia, six shots behind the tall, lissom Dane, Steen Tinning (71).

## List of team could be premature

Hobday making

giant strides

towards the top

From John Hennessy, La Manga, Spain

A new yet familiar name (Trentham Park) and Lee surged forward yesterday on the fourth day of the PGA European tour six-round qualifying tour (Royal Norwich), is sharing anneal at the La Manga club. Simon Hobday was until respective scores yesterday were 73 70 and

vance, the Walker Cup selectors will announce today the Great Britain and Ireland side for the match against the United States at Sunningdale.

British amateur championships. He reached the third round at Formby in 1984, but failed in

last year's qualifying section at Royal Dornoch.

After yesterday's splendid 65.
six under par. over La Manga's
north course, Hobday is almost
certain to qualify for his European tour player's card. He has

soared to joint second place and

The match is oo May 27 and 28, but the reason for such an early selection, it is claimed, is that there are few events or tournaments in these islands between now and then which could influence decisions.

So the team of 10 will be chosen on 1986, form and, unfortunately, one or two of these could go off the boil by the time the match comes around. It surely would be preferable to short-list a squad and make the final choice as late as possible. After all, there is oot a lack of important amateur competition in Britain in March, April and

early May.

The new captain, Geoff Marks, of England, carries a heavy responsibility. If be could inspire victory it would not only be the first since 1971 at St Andrews; but it could mean the bome international that, for the first time, the championship in September.
United States do not hold any of There are not, however, too

Britain and Ireland to win the Curtis Cup on American soil

performance at Pine Valley in 1985, losing by a narrow 13-11 margin. Four of that Britain and Ireland side, John Hawksworth, Peter Baker, Sandy Stephen and turoed professional and are therefore oot svailable.

That leaves Colin Montgo-merie, George Macgregor, Garth McGimpsey, Peter McEvoy, Cecil Bloice and Paul Mayo still available, although Macgregor, aged 42, may be considered too old, and Mayo seems to have lost his best form.

Montgomerie, McGimpsey, McEvoy and British amateur champion, David Curry, formed the four strong Eisenhower Trophy squad for the world team championship last certainly be the nucleus at Sunningdale. Others in the running for places include John McHenry, the Irish champion, and Graeme Shaw of Scotland. who had a five out of six record when his team comfortably won

ine three longest standing golf trophies.

Tony Jacklin led Europe to a Ryder Cup victory 15 months ago and Diane Bailey inspired Britain and Ireland to win the could be an exciting affair when the match is staged on an inland last August. There has to be course on this side of the changes in the Walker Cup team Atlantic for the first time next from that which gave a mighty May.

### Langer is back to fill vacuum

Johannesburg (AFP) - Bernhard Langer, the defending champion, is seen as both the favourite and saviour of the Sun City tournament which begins

The West German has proved immune to anti-apartheid pres-sure which has robbed the tournament in the black bomeland of Bophuthatswana of leading American players and left organizers scratching around for big names despite a \$300,000 (ahout £210,000) winner's cheque and \$50,000 guaranteed for the tail-ender.

Lee Trevino, Andy Bean, and Severiano Ballesteros, osten-sibly through injury, have pulled out and replacement candidates have been thin on the ground because of pressure from the US Professional Golfers' Association.

Four local players had originally been drafted in to com-plete the 10-man field - the veteran, Gary Player, Nicky Price, David Frost and Mark McNulty — but Price's last-minute withdrawal for an emer-gency appendicitis operation eaves only nine contenders.

With them are the American. Lanny Wadkins, David Gra-ham, of Australia, Tze-Chung Chen, of Taiwan, and the Briush Ryder Cup colleagues, Howard Clark and Ian Woosnam, who were drafted in at the last minute.

invitation two weeks ago while I was in Japan and had no hesitation in accepting. Politics is not an issue with me."

Wadkins, the US Open run-

ner-up, hopes to improve on his second place here last year after a lean season on the US tour. Graham finished third in the

Japanese Masters two weeks ago after promising performances in the Nissan Cup and South Australia Open while McNulty, chasing his fourth successive tournament victory in a row is the main home contender.

#### In the event of war . . . The English Ladies Golf

The English Ladies Golf Association yesterday approved a change in their rules governing the outhreak of war. At their annual general meeting in London, their president, Joan Rothschild, was swift to give a tongue-in-cheek explanation: "They don't include dropping a ball out of a bomb crater or suspension of play because of gunfire."

Women golfers have a reputa-

national emergency, the admin-istration of the LGU shall be vested in an emergency commit-tee consisting of the chairman and vice-chairman and the honorary treasurer. "This committee shall have

power to hring into force for the said period all measures passed at the general meeting in February, 1940, with such alterations as they see fit."

Sponsorship and grants total-ling £20,000 enabled ELGA to announce a profit for the year of

## AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR AVERAGES

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Cardiff 0. Worterhampton Wanderers 1:
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## TELEVISION AND RADIO

**Edited by Peter Dear** and Peter Davalle

## Thinning out the Whitehall hopefuls

 A Civil Service commissioner, sitting behind me at the Press preview of the 40 Minutes documentary The Chosen Few (BBC2. 9.30pm) which describes the selection process for Whitehall jobs, returned this verdict as the house lights came up: "That was above the level of acceptability". And so, on the assessors' scale of 1 to 7, (7 counts as a glittering success), the first of Chris Curling's two films about the Civil Service recruitment procedure, has cleared the initial hurdles. It gets a pass mark from me, too. Whether the same commissioner would have put part two (next week) in the acceptability category, I am not able to say. And, although I know the answer, wild horses would not drag from me any hint as to whether some or none of the candidates whose sweaty-palm nrdeal is detailed in the two films,

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CHOICE are finally picked to tread the

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same path that Yes Minister's Sir Humphrey Appleby has conspicuously trodden to the amusement of the nation. In tonight's film, five candidates come up for a twoday inquisition. Three of them are shadowy figures; the supporting cast, as it were. The spotlight falls on Evelyn (23, Manchester University ex-bank employee, ex-Hame Office police department) and Timothy (25, Oxford, ex-GLC, writer of fiction). Eagle-eyes are trained on their contributions to a debate on whether Britain can afford the luxury of a monarchy, and on an imaginary committee meeting called to decide whether British competitors should participate in an Olympic Games in a country where there has just been

a military coup. The camera duly records it, and it is all fair game. But where some people might take issue with The Chosen Few is when the camera goes with the assessors into the dissecting room, and the microphone picks up such judgments as "self-consciously yobbish ...."dangerous quality"...."loses balance when facing moral issues". In a sense, however, the balance is restored when the candidate io question. reporting on an exchange with an assessor nn the question of whether boxing should be banned, confesses that they were both arguing about technicalities from the same position of ignorance.

• Blood Red Roses (Channel 4,

militant feminism, however, it carries quite a punch. Literally so, because the central character of Bessie (played, in her younger manifestation, by Louise Beattie) is a born fighter - a fact made abundantly clear in schooldays sequences in which she assaults a teacher and responds with a fourlener word when a clerygman assures the girls that God will lead them to an acceptance of their subservient role in a man's world.

· Radio choice: So condemnatory of our over-burdened NHS hospitals is Colin Douglas's play Better to Break Your Neck (Radio 4, 3.00pm) that any aged listener who suffers an injury as the play's pathetic heroine does, will probably demand a cast-iron guarantee of an early operation immediately on being admitted.

Peter Davalle



Terry Thomas, Ian Carmichael, Janette Scott: School for Scoundrels (BBC1,2pm)

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9.45 Advice Shop. Margo
MacDonald examines the ins
and nuts of supplementary
benefit 10.00 Neighbours. (r)
10.20 The Wombles. (r) 19.25 Philip Schofield with news of children's television programmes, and birthday greetings 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Henry's Cat. 10.55 Five to Eleven. Fulton Mackay with a thought for the day 11.00 Food and Drink. A repeat of Tuesday's orogramme which included an assessment of fast food, 11.30 1 N 2 Open Air, Talevision makers tace their critics. 12.25 Domesday Detectives. Outz game on Britain, played by  $4.0 \pm 2$ ams. 12.55 Regional news and weather. 1.00 News at One with Martyn Lewis, Weather, 1.25

Neighbours. Paul agrees to help Carol with her drink problem 1.50 Animal Fair with Don Spencer. (r)
2.00 Film: School for Scoundrels\*
(1959) starring len Carmichael, Terry-Thomas, Alasteir Sim, and Janette Scott. Comedy, based on Stephen Potter's Oneupmanship books, about a put-upon oal who is persuaded to anrol in the College of Litamanship. Directed by Robert Hamer. 3.35 Coming Up. A preview of the feature NO.

nims to be shown on BBC Television.
3.50 Scragting and His Tee-time
Telly 4.05 Sebastian the
Incredible Drawing Dog!.
Michael Barrymore with tha
story of The Toastmaster 4.15 Orlysseus the Greatest Hero of Them All. Tony Robinson with another tale from Greek mythology 4.30 Gelloping Galaxies. 4.55 John Craven's Newsround 5.05 Bive Peter. Bonnia's

training is put to the test as she helps conservationists ring ducks. (Cestax) 5.35 Masterteam. 6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Philip Hayton, Weather. 6.35 London Plus.

7.00 Top of the Pops introduced by 7.30 FastEnders, Dr Legg receives some flack when the name of the tenant taking over Ethel's room becomes known. (Ceefax)
6.00 Tomorrow's World. Judith

Hann has new evidence that stomach ulcers are caused by becteria; there is a new lamp post peinting machine; a new temp-post peinting machine; a new type of oar; how a town in Iceland receives hot water courtesy of lava power; and how New Brighton is saving its beaches from grosion.
The Kenny Everett Television
Show. Comedy sketches, and
music from Hot Gossip. (Ceefax) 9.00 News with Julia Somerville and

John Humphrys, Regional news and weather. 9.30 Just Good Friends. The two would-be lovers make for Portugal and a villa owned by the tax-evading Pinners. (Ceetax) 10.00 Question Time. Sir Robin

Day's panel is Peter Sutherland, Susan Thomas, and MPs Bryn Gould and Sir Geoffrey Howe. Matt Houston, A millionaire's wife is kidnepped and Matt is on the trail of the perpetrators. 11.50 Weather.



Sam Hardy and Cicely Courtneidge in the 1933 British comedy Aunt Sally, on Channel 4, 5.00pm

BBC 2 9.00 Ceetax. 9.52 Daytime on Two: A-level studies - statistics 10.15 Science - hearing 10.38
History: the partitioning of Ireland 11.00 Thinksbout 11.18

9.30), a three-part drama serial by

(and directed by) John McGrath,

began life on the stage and traces

nf its theatrical origins can be detected in it. As a study in

Praparing children for axeriences outside the home 11.40 A group of teenage girls recount instances of sexual recount instances of sexual harassment.

12.12 Basic Spanish conversation sidils 12.30 French for absolute beginners 12.45
Associations between living organisms 1.05 French conversation 1.38 The

microtechnology industry in Wales 2.00 Why different clothes make you feel different 2.15 A musical version of the story of Dick Whitington.
2.35 in the Making. Tessa Fuchs, a potter, demonstrates and talks

about the landscapes she makes in clay. (r)
2.55 Wild World. The creatures who
five in a city of coral in the Caribbean. (r) Small World. Mat Irvine and his

models of spacecraft. (r) 3.55
models of spacecraft. (r) 3.55
Regional news and weather.
Pamela Armstrong. This
afternoon's topic is the ease
with which credit can be
obtained. Music is provided by
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4.35 Look Stranger. The story of Patrick O'Hara who used his redundancy money to buy a kin and then learnt how to sculpt in porcelain. (r)

5.00 Domesday Detectives. A repeat of the programme shown on BBC 1 at 12.25.

5.30 Film 86. Berry Norman reviews Labyrinth, and Just between Friends. (r)

Friends, (r)
6.00 Star Trek. Kirk and Mr Spock are forced to fight for their lives against reincarnations of evil tyrants from history. (r)
6.45 What on Earth...? Wildlife cuiz

presented by Jeremy Cherisa.
7.10 Sir Gordon Richards. A repeat
of the Maestro programme in
which the celebrated jockey and trainer looked back on his Open Space: Who Goes Where? A documentary about racial discrimination in the

Vetional Health. 8.10 Timewatch: The Human two films - one about a discovered the largest cache of Thracian treesure; the other on the Italian forger whose work guiled reputable art 9.00 Entertainment USA. Jonathan

King, continues his journey from San Francisco to Los 9.30 40 Minutes: The Chosen Few. A documentary following a group of candidates through Whitehall's Fast Stream Selection Process. (see Choice) (Ceefax)

10.19 Phi Silvers\* The officer sent to cure Bilko and his platoon of gambing turns out to be a beautiful blonde. (r) 10.35 Newsright. 11.20 Weather.

ITV/LONDON 6.15 TV-en: Good Morning Britain i TV-enr: Good Meming Britain presented by Arne Diamond and Geoff Meade. News with David Foster st 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55 and 9.17; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and Jeni Bernett's posting at 8.55. The and his timorous ass Barnett's postbag at 8.35. The After Nine guests include Claire Rayner with advice on personal proble

9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 The Terms Ahead: the sosp opera genre 9.56 Limestone quarrying 10.17 A German programme about animals 10.38 The Norfolk Broads. 11.00 Amy the Angel. A young girl is on the brink of suicide when an

angel convinces her how sad life would have been if she hadn't been born 11.45 Wattoo Wattoo. Carloon.
12.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. (r) 12.10 Puddle
Lane. Pupper series with Nell trues 12.30 The Sullivans.

Drama serial about an
Australian family in the Forties.
1.00 News at One with Leonard
Parkin includes the fourth daily item on Aids which examines how incurable Aids sufferers are cared for. 1.20 Thames

1.30 Falcon Crest. Drama serial starring Jane Wyman, about the vinyard-owning folk of California 2.25 Home Cookery Club. Fresh Apple Tart. 2.30 Daytime, Sarah Kennedy

chairs a studio discussion on why hospital waiting lists are so long and what should be done about it. 3.00 Take the High Road. Carol McKay is brought to her senses by a dangerous ancounter in the woods 3.25 Themes news headlines 3.30 Sons and

4.00 The Raggy Dolls 4.10 The Telebugs 4.20 Running Loose. Serial about a group of innercity youngsters on a camping holiday in the English

countryside. (Oracle) 4.45 Dangermouse. Cartoon series about a secret service rodent 5.15 Blockbusters General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob Holness.

5.45 News with Alastair Stewart
6.00 Themes news.
6.25 Helpt Viv Taylor Gee with news
of hearing therapy.
6.35 Crossroads. An unwanted

visitor interrupts Jill when she is hard at work. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Will Amos be able to smuggle his big surprise for Mr Wilks into the Woolpack?
7.30 Film: Stroker Ace (1983)

starring Burt Reynolds and Ned Beatty. Lighthearted tale of an ace stock car racer and of an ace stock car racar and
the trouble he has with his
sponsors who look unkindly at
his unorthodox behaviour.
Directed by Hal Needham.
9.00 Girls On Top. Comedy about
three girls sharing an
spartment in the home of an
improversiphed third larly. impoversished titled lady. Starring Dawn French, Jennifer Saunders, Ruby Wax, Joan Greenwood and, tonight, as Shelley's mother, Soep star Katherine Helmond (Oracle) 9.30 This Week: Comdor of Power

How South African-backed rebels are trying to de-stabilise the Front Line African states by constantly attacking the 200 miles long Beira Comidor which is their life-line. The

reporter is Trevor Phillips.
10.00 News at Ten with Alestair
Burnet and Sandy Gall,
Weather followed by Thames
news headlines. 10.30 Quincy, When his superior, Dr Astin, bungles an autopsy, Quincy has to help clear his

name. (r) 11,30 The Business of Excellence. Robert Schwartz and Alistai Mant present their new ideas on business thinking.

12.15 Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous, Jane Seymour.



Elizabeth MacLennan in the first episode of a drama serial about a fighting woman, Blood Red Roses (Channel 4, 9.30pm)

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2.15 Their Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords.
2.30 Film: Kismed (1944) starring Ronald Coleman and Marlene Dietrich. Fantasy tale of an nid Rephylad beco Baghdad beggar who, in an attempt to marry-off his daughter to a member of the royal household, poses as a prince and woos the fair

Jamilla, the Grand Vizier's favourite wife. Directed by William Dieterle. 4.20 Gumshoe Magoo. Cartoon starring the incomparable Mr

starring the incomparable with Magoo, the myopic wonder.
Countdown. Alec Cooke from Birmingham challenges yesterday's winner in the anagrams and mental arithmetic game. Richard Whiteley is the meeting master. questionmaster.

5.00 Film: Aunt Sally\* (1933)
starring Cicely Courtneidge. A
young cabaret artista manager
to obtain work at a night club

by posing as a famous French
antentainer, but on opening
night sha is kidnepped.
Directed by Tim Whelan.
6.30 Union World presented by
Trevor Hyett. Union leaders
representing Britain's customs
officers doing that because of officers claim that because of shortage of manpower the government's promise to beat the drugs smuggling gangs is a

7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen.
7.50 Comment. With her views on a topical subject is Gloria Frankel, a member of the International Committee for Release of Detained and

'Disappeared' Women in Iraq. 8.00 Realm of Darkness: Drowned River of Dracos. Geoff Crossley and Julian Griffiths explore the underground river that reaches the Greek coast at the Mani Peninsula. 9.00 Oh Madeline. American

domestic cornedy seri starring Madeline Kehn.

9.30 Blood Red Roses. Part one of a three-opisode dramatization of the life of industrial fighter, Bessle McGuigen. (see Choice)

(Oracle) To Die. Tje story ofDerrick Gregory, an Englishman facing the gallows in Malaysia for the gallows in Mal smuggling heroin.

11.30 Rejoice. Candy Devine's guests include the Ulster Salvation Army Band, Crossfire, the Newry Cathedral Choir, and John Parker, chairman of Harland and Wolff. 11.55 Relative Strangers. Cornedy series starring Matthew Kelly and Mark Farmer as, respectively, a father and son who did not meet each other until the boy was a teenager

12.25 Their Lordships' House Highlights of the day's debates in the House of Lords. Ends at VARIATIONS

BBC 1 WALES \$.35pm-6.25 Water To-day, 6.35-7.00 On The Trail, 11.50 News and weather. SCOTLAND \$.25pm-5.40 Dotaman, 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scot-land, NORTHERN RELLAND \$.35pm-5.40 Today's \$5port, 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.25-7.00 Magasineem. 6.30-6.00 Spottight. 11.59-11.55 News and weather. ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines. BBC2 WALES 8.30em-8.55
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Badio S 6.55 Weather, 7.00 News . Works by, or featuring, Benjamin Britten. Purcell (Checony in G minor: ECO (Chécony in G minor: ECO under Britten), Purcell (Fartasia No 13 in F: Zorian Quartet with Britten, viola), Bridge (Sir Roger de Coverley: ECO/Britten, and Go not, happy day: Pears and Britten), Schumann (Five pieces in folk stylel, Op 102: Restropovich/Britten), Elgar (Introduction and Allegro: ECO under Britten), trad (Plough boy:

ECO under British), trad (Plough boy: Pears/Britten), 8.00 News 8.05 Concert (continued): Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 4: ECO under Britten), Schubert (An die Laute, D 905, and other songs: Pears/Britten), Bediord suite based on Britten's Death in

Bedford suite based on Britten's beath in Venice:ECO), 9.00 News 9.05 This Week's Composers: At the Court of Dresden. Recordings of works by J S Bach (Kyrie, from Mass In B minor, BWV 232), W F Bach (Fugue In B flat), Lottl. Chuantz, Heinichen and Zelecks (Magorificat) Zetenka (Magnificat) 10.00 English Pastoral: Bax (Morning song, Maytime in Sussex: Cohen piano) Vsughan Williams (In the Philharmonia). Rawsthome (Symphony No 2: USSR SO, and V

lvanova, soprano)
18.45 French Piano Music:
John Clegg plays
Dukas's La plainte, au loin, du laune, and Faure's Ballade Op 19 11.05 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC (r) 11.25 BBC Scottlish SO in

Germany (under Jerzy Maksymiuk), with Silvia Marcovici (violin). Wilson (Touchstone), Bruch (Violin Concerto No 1). 3), 1.00 News 1.05 Bristol concert: Delmé String Quartet. Suk (Meditation on an old

Bohemian chorale) Dyorak (Quartet in G, Op 2.00 Britten performs Mozart: cantata Die Ihr des unermesslichen Wetkalls: children?: Pears and Britten; Mozart's Piano Quartet in G minor, K 478: with

3.10 Alzira: Verdi's opera in s Alzire Vetru sopera in soprologue and two acts.
Sung in Italian. Munich Radio
Orchestra (under
Lamberto Gardelli), with
Bavarian Radio Chorus.
With Ileana Cotrubas in the
title role, and cast
lockuting Erancisco Aratza Including Francisco Aralza and Renato Bruson, 4.55

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: recorded music selection, presented bh Michael Berkeley Bandstand: City of London Wind Ensemble. Guy Wootlenden (Deo gratias), Joseph Horovitz (Bacchus on Blue Ridge) 7.00 An Observer Observed: Colin Ford Interviews the

architect, painter and documentary photographer Humphrey Spender (r) Spender (r)
7.30 Sournemouth SO (under Thomas Sanderling), with Alison Hargan (soprano). Part one. Altrecht Part one. Albrecht
Guursching's completion of
Mahler's Symphony
Prelude. Also Webern's
Passacaglia, Opm1, and
Strauss songs including
Befrait Op 39 No 4,
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and Wiegentied, Op 41
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8.20 One Pair of Ears: the week's music on rai With David Wheeler 8.40 Concert: part two. Brahms (Symphony No

9.40 Inside: Verse written and read by the South African poet Jeremy Cronin (r) 10.00 Music in Our Time: Ensemble Modern (under Heinz Holliger), with Christine Whittlesey (soprano), Thomas Fichter (double-base). Klaus Huber (Remember G), Holliger (Zwei Ubungen zu Scardanetti), Isang Yun (cantata Telle dich Nacht), Veress (Orbis

tonorum) 11.20 Britten songs and duets: Kathleen Livingstone (soprano), Neil Mackie (tenor), John Slakely plano). Includes The oxen arranged by Peter Pears), and Soldier, soldier. won't you marry me? 11.50 Schubert: Peter Pears (spesker), John Blakely (piano). Abschied von der

Padio 4 LF (Long Wave). (s) Stereo on VHF 5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 5.25 Prayer (s). 6.30 Today Incl. 8.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parllament. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News.

9.00 News.
9.05 in Business (r).
9.30 The Natural History
Programme. Fergus
Keeling Investigates the
aquarium trade.

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10.00 Naws; Medicine Now.
Geoff Watts on the
health of medial care (r).

10.30 Morning Story: The
Concert by Mairin
O'Connor. The reader is
Roisin Donaghy

10.45 An Act of Worship (s).

11.00 Naws: Trayer Amelicies 11.00 News; Travel; Analysi Baker's Score. David er asks how far the proposal for Inner City Technology Colleges will improve on the present

shortage of scientists and technicians (r). 11.48 Lines of Communication. Patrick Hannan interprets, and endures, after-dinner speaches. 12.00 News, You and Yours. Consumer advice.With John Howard

12.27 In Sunshine...Reasonably Together Again (new series). With special guests The Fine Arts Brass Ensemble (r) (s) 12.55 Weather . 1.00 The World at Ons: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping forecast.
News; Woman's Hour
with Sue MacGregor.
Christmas entertaining ideas from Gall Duff and Evelyn

Rose 3.00 News; Scottish Drama. Better to Break Your Neck by Colin Douglas. Drama about an elderly woman who goes to hospital for a hip operation. With

4.00 News. 4.05 Bookshelf. Susan Hill presents the books programme. Includes Richard Holmes following in the footsteps Robert Louis Stavenson, and an interview with neurologist Dr Oliver

4.35 Kaleidoscope. Another chance to bear last night's edition, which included items on the Musée d'Orsay in Paris.
5.00 PM News magazine. 5.55 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.00 My Music. Ian Wallace and Paris. Norden v. John and Denis Norden v John Amis and Frank Mukr, with

7.05 The Archers. Any Answers? Letters sent in by listeners in response to last week's Any Questions. With John Timpson.
7.40 A Musical Evening in America. Teleri Bevan talks to Roberta Peters,

taiks to Properta Peters, principal soprano at the Metropolitan Opera, New York. 8.40 Profile. 9.00 Does he take sugar? For disabled listeners and their families. 9.30 Ian Skidmore in the BBC Sound Archites 9.45 Kaleidoscope I Kaleidoscope Include

Labyrinth; Beauty and the Beast at the Royal Opera House, and Rayner Heppenstall's The Pier 0.15 A Book at Bedtime. The Fall of Kelvin Walker by Alasdeir Gray (2 of 8). 10.29 Weather

9.30 The World Tonight.
1.15 The Financial World Tonight. 1.30 Today in Parliament. 2.00News; Weather. 2.33 Shipping. VHF (available in England and

S Wales only) as above except 5.55-6.00 Weather Travel, 9.05-10.45 For Schools: 9.05 Preview 9.08 An Assembly for Schools, 9.30 Secondary English (11-14) (s) 9.55 First Steps in Drama 10.15 Something to Think About 10.25 Talk to a Sports Star (s). 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Noticeboard Schools: 11.00 Noticeboard
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#### **SPORT**

# Australia slip out of the clutches of Gatting's men

Australia saved the second Test match here yesterday after being under pressure pretty well throughout it. In the end they had six wickets in hand, which was more than had seemed likely when Botham caught Boon off the first ball of the day. There was never any question of Australia attempting to make the 391 they needed for victory. When Border was fourth

out, immediately after tea, Australia were still oot out of the wood. But Ritchie and Greg Matthews then kept their nerve and their wickets, England eventually calling it a day with a possible 10 overs left.

with a possible 10 overs left.
Considering that a year ago
Hadlee, after taking 1 l wickets
for New Zealand, described
the pitch as the worst on
which he had played Test
cricket, the way it lasted this
time was remarkable. The cracks io it, though you could have lodged a bail in some of them, played less of a part than expected; but the same could be said for the bowlers' footmarks, and what turn there was was slow.

England were also without Botham from the 39th over onwards. While bowling it he strained a muscle in his side, one that will need all the rest it can get between oow and the oext Test, starting in Adelaide

a week tomnrrow.

Of eight confident appeals for leg-before, only one was upheld. Several others looked most horribly close. But it was ever thus, and to be fair to Australia they escaped oo merit. The draw will have given them a breathing space and greater belief in themselves. For England, it was disappointing oot to be able to press home the advantage which their huge first innings

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as (b 4, lb 15, w 3, nb 13) ----

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-223, 2-227, 3-275, 4-333, 5-339, 6-646, 7-585, 8-892.

Complete Test scoreboard

such a dramatic start was his to Botham at second slip, 100th in Test matches. It was a again off Dilley. It was diffisuch a dramatic start was his 100th in Test matches. It was a good piece of bowling by Dilley, the ball bringing Boon forward and obliging him to play a stroke. Of the seven inters in have taken 100 Test catches, three were at the ground - Greg Chappell (122 in 87 Tests) as an Australian selector, his brother Ian (105 in 75) as a televisinn commentator and Bobby Simpsoo

cult but Botham has caught

Soon, too, there were some close calls for leg-before by the

faster bowlers, two against Jones and one against Marsh.

But nothing came of them. Dilley's was a good opening

spell and Botham concerned

himself with pitching the ball up. Gatting switched his

bowlers around, probing for the end by which they were best suited. I thought, how-ever, that he might have brought himself on sooner

He had as good a chance as

anyone of hitting one of the cracks, and not being as tall as

the rest he might have got the ball to skid. When he did

bowl, just after Botham had

gone off, he at once beat the

bat and was then within a
whisker of bowling Border
before he had scored, the ball
going over the top of the
middle and off stumps.

Australia's second wicket

fell, in fact, to a run-out. Jones

was playing quite adventurously by now, occa-sionally going down the pitch to the spinners and always

eager for the scampered single.

It was in backing himself to

make one of these that he fell.

Hitting DeFreitas quite firmly to Broad at mid-off, he needed

to go with the stroke for the

run to have been a safe one.

Instead, there was a fractional

hesitatioo and he was beaten

by the narrowest of margins

by Broad's direct hit at the

Next to go, oine overs later, was Marsh, leg-before playing no stroke to a turning off-break from Emburey. At tea Australia were 152 for three.

In the first over afterwards

Border pushed forward to

Emburey, as he has dooe

countless times before, and

gave Lamh, standing close at

Matthews found enough ways

of wasting time to stamp him

as hardly a suitable future

Australian captain, a job for

But for all his maddening

which he is being canvassed.

little ways he knew what he

was about, and Ritchie was

defending soundly, which he

did for two and a quarter

hours, and to their under-standable satisfaction they

held off a new ball and were

still together when Gatting

A cricket match can never

have been played in lovelier

weather. Every day the sky was a dome of hlue. The total attendance of 51,862 rates fifth among the six Anglo-Australian Tests played here, the highest of which was for

the first, in 1970-71, when

84,142 watched a high-scoring

accepted the draw.

silly point, a catch.

bowler's end.

than he did.

Australian side.
Colin Cowdrey (120 in 114).
Gary Sobers (t09 in 93).
Walter Hammond (110 in 85)

(110 in 62) as manager of the

#### Remaining **Test dates** and venues

Third Test match: Dec 12 - 16 (in Adelaide). Fourth Test match: Dece 26 - 30 (in Melbourne). Fifth Test match: Jan 10 - 15 (in Sydney).

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and Sunit Gavaskar (t03 in 118) make up the oumber. Simpsoo's average of 1.7 catches a match puts him out on his own; but Botham, do not forget, has also bowled more than 3,000 overs when he might otherwise have been

standing at shp.
With scores of 10, 14, 2 and 0, Boon is struggling for his Test place; but hy adding 128 for the secood wicket Marsh and Jones took Australia well on the way to a draw. Marsh established himself as a sticker earlier in the tour and Jones is beginning to play with much more assurance

They needed some luck and Botham's catch at second had it. When Marsh was only slip which got the day away to ooe he survived a low chance

AUSTRALIA: First kining

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-84, 3-114, 4-128, 5-198, 6-279, 7-334, 8-360, 9-385,

#### Botham, having reached a century of Test catches in taking Boon, lets Marsh escape. (Photo: Graham Morris) Injured Botham faces a race against time for Adelaide

against time to be fit for the third Test match in Adelaide, which starts tomorrow week

after pulling a muscle in his side while bowling yesterday. Laurie Brown, the England physiotherapist, confirmed later that the world's leading With Border's departure, England sceoted victory again and Australia defeat. Greg Test wicket-taker had strained an intercostal muscle. "It is quite a common injury among bowlers and I'm afraid it sometimes takes quite a while to clear up," Brown said. "I'm hoping he'll be fit for the third Test, but we'll just have to wait

and see how it goes."

Botham had an ice pack on the injury within minutes of leaving the field and Brown sound treatment. "He's going to be stiff and sore for a day or two but we will try some gentle stretching exercises as soon as we can. Fortunately, he left the pitch rather than trying to carry on, and that may have saved him from worse

Botham's absence from the third Test match would be a major blow for England. While the tourists might get by without his seam bowling

on an Adelaide pitch expected to favour spin, Botham's bat-ting would be badly missed. Although twice failing in Perth, he set up England's first Test victory in Brisbane with a magnificent century and is the man Australia fear most. Mike Gatting, the England captain, said: "Perhaps we might not need a third scamer in Adelaide, but hopefully Iau will be fit because he's a very useful batsman coming in at

number six." Gatting was disappointed not to have won the match, but he was far from dispirited. The WACA pitch failed to give his bowlers the help he had hoped for on the final day. "I don't think anyone got that m out of the wicket all match," he said. "It played quite well oughout and when the ball did hit a crack today it did far

Gatting said he had hoped to declare about 20 minutes before stumps on the previous day but explained: "Unfortunately we kept losing wickets at the wrong time. Anyway, if we had declared last night I think Australia would have been able to bat for an extra 20

"I doo't think we've let Australia off the hook in any way. We are still one up in the series and they had to battle to

survive today. The Australian captain, Allan Border, had "a great feeling of relief" after the match. "I'm happy to have got out of it with a draw," he said.

Border added: "We are still not playing well. We are struggling with our bowling. you let the opposition get 500." Yoo can't win a Test match if

#### Under attack

Cape Town (AFP) - Protesters yesterday stoned the home of a businessman connected with the sponsorship of an Australian cricket tour of South Africa in defiance of an international sports boycott of South Africa. The attack is the latest of several on the property of people connected with the current rebel tour. Mr. Lodwick said his house was stoned soon after midnight, and several windows were smashed.

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that was enough to win the

There were victories for

Mike Hallett and Stephen

Hendry and the all-Welsh

partnership of Doug Mountjoy and Wayne Jones.

Hallett and Hendry defeated Bill Werbeniuk and Danny

Fowler 5-3 after, at one time,

holding a 3-0 lead while the

third.

#### TENNIS **Becker one** game away

From Richard Evans

New York

At the age of 19 years and two weeks, Boris Becker, is just one match away from laying legitimate claim to the position of the world's No. 1

Should he beat Ivan Lendl in the final of the Nabisco Masters here at Madison Square Garden next Monday, will be very difficult for the ITF panel of past champions to ignore the claims of the Wimbledon champion.

Statistically, Lendi is assured of finishing 1986 as number one, both on the ATP computer ranking and the Nabisco leader board which is restricted to points earned on the Grand Prix tour.

However, the ITF panel take other facts into consideration and should Becker beat Lendl here, one of them will become indisputable. Already the West German has a 3-1 winning lead over Leodl this year, having beaten him on grass, cement and indoors at Wimbledon, Chicago and Sydney and should he add the Masters title to his Wimbledoo crown, the Czech's French and US Open titles would hardly be sufficient.

However, there is much tennis to be played in the round-robin format before a head-to-head elash between the game's two top players can come about.

Lendl, who opens against the only oon-European in the eight-man field - Andres Gomez, of Ecuador - tonight is in a group with one of three Swedes, Stefan Edberg, and Yannick Noah, the Wembley hero who has a record of beating Lendl in important natches

Becker heads the other round-robio group which in-cludes another Frenchman Heori Leconte, Mats Vilander, and Becker's first opponent, Joakim Nystrom, who is fit again after injury.

The big question mark hov-ers around Lendl's match fitness. He has been working with typical zeal aod thoroughness to nvercome tendinitis in his left hip but looked below his best while losing to John McEnroe in Atlanta last week

Becker and Leconte, both power hitters, should emerge from the other group for the knock-out semi-finals on Sunday. Power, indeed, will be the essence of this Masters. It is a different same these

days; different even from a decade ago when John
MeEnroe first appeared on the
scene and certainly light years
away from the days when Ken Rosewall's delicate precision could cut down players with twice his fire power. The little Australian, aged 52 but still active on the Grand Masters tour, was in town this week to receive an accolade from the Association of Tennis Professionals at their JAKS awards dinner as a "great player of the past". In 1974 Rosewall was blasted in defeat io the Wimhledon and Forest Hills finals by Jimmy Connors and his modern power game.

## SA row takes a new twist

By John Goodbody

A team from a leading South African public school have arrived in England for a series of rugby matches despite the British Government's support of the Gleneagles Agreement, which seeks to sever sporting links with the Republ

Just as the Hedgehogs. team from the University o Cape Town, were cancelling the rest of their five-match tour of south-east England after a public ontery, Michaelhouse, from Natal, were preparing to play Sherborne, the pablic school in Dorset, this afternoon.

The general committee of the Welsh Rugby Union will also decide today whether to sauction several fixtures provisiooally arranged by

Mr Robin Macnaughton, the headmaster of Sherborne, said he thought the Gleneagles Agreement applied only to sport at adult and profes levels and not to schools. "But I do not think it would have made any difference to our attitude. There is no question of the game not taking place. We have made some sort of arrangement and we will hon-our it," he said.

Mr Rob Tennick, of the Rughy Union, said yesterday: "There was an eleventh hour request from David Scott, the aster in charge of rugby at Sherborne, for permission for the game to be played. The team have been touring Wales and apparently had a spare date. Until the phone call from Sherborne we had no knowledge of the visit. We had no objection but asked Mr Scott

to fill in the appropriate form immediately." Mr Tennick said South African schools "have frequently drifted in and out of Britain over the years. If we cannot bring the youngsters io here what chance have they

got to change anything? The Rugby Union have always believed that the best way of changing the apartheid system in South Africa is by maintaining contacts. But, at the moment, the Rugby Union has barred all trips there by players and clobs because of the visit to South Africa last summer by the unofficial New Zealand Cavaliers.

Mr Ray Williams, the secretary of the Welsh Rugby Union, said yesterday: "The Welsh Schools Rugby Union cannot entertain any visit from a South African school but the

#### Hedgehogs call off their tour

By Paul Martin

Beating a retreat in the face of a mounting rumpus and threats of demonstrations and disruptions, the Hedgehogs team from South Africa yesterday called off their tour of southern England. "We've had enough of this," the team captain, wishing to remain anonymous, said. "We'll make the rest of the trip a holiday." Both Richmond, who were considering their match on Saturday, and Southend, who were determined to go ahead with theirs on Sunday, ex-pressed sadness that outside pressures had forced the cancellation.

The tour organizer, David Barciay, whose clob, Rosslyn Park, cancelled their match planned for yesterday, re-marked: "I am disgusted that the tour is off. It is a victory for the radicals. Wheo will we stop surrendering to them?" It had set back his plans to bring over a multi-racial team next year, he added.

Richmond and Southend had security worries. Mike Humphreys, the Richmond chairman, had yesterday consuited the police on how their ground could be protected from disruptive demonstra-tions. They had four years previously, he said, called off a match against a South African match against a South African team. Collegians of Durban, "because of police advice that it would be difficult and very expensive" to provide full security against pitch inva-sions, costing the club around £10,000.

Southend "trepidation" at possible dam-age being caused to their pitch by what one official there described as "a lunatic fringe who we understand were plan-ning to join anti-apartheid demonstrators"; the club also worried about embarrassing the clab's sponsors, Access. Richmond's senior coach, Derek Wyatt, has withdrawn his resignation, tendered in protest at the club's fixture. But Humphreys said Rich-mond would "continue our policy of playing against South Africans and touring there once the Rugby Pootball Union's restrictions are

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**YACHTING** 

#### Lamazou dispels the fears

By Barry Pickthall

The secood stage of the BOC singlehanded round the world race from Cape Town to Sydney is turning into something of a chicken run, with all competitors reporting peasoup fog and a worrying number of iceburgs this week. Only a few, like Britain's Harry Mitchell have had the prudence to reduce sail, a decisioo that has cost him dearly, for he oow trails almost 2,000 miles behind the leaders who continue to make most of the 50 knot westerly winds, surfing through the Roaring Farties on a wing and a prayer, often reaching speeds of 20 knots or more.

The race organizers had a nerve-racking start to the week too, when the Argos satelite system, tracking these intrepid soloists, showed Titouad Lamazou's leading French boat, Ecureuil d'Aquitaine, to have stopped dead in the water. Thankfully, he and his boat were all right.

The experience patently failed to break his nerve though, for Lamazou, a marine artist by trade, has contin ued to keep up his average of 230 miles a day since leaving Cape Town two and a half weeks ago, to maintain a hefty 220-mile lead over his nearest rivals. Two other Frenchman are fighting it out for second place. Philippe Jeantot, the winner four years ago, finally got ahead of Jean Yves Terlain's UAP for the first time on Tuesday.

EADING POSITIONS (with mass to Sydney): 1, T Lamazou, Ecureul d'Aquitaine, (2.080): 2, P Jeamos, Credi Aqricole III, (2.287; 3, J Y Terisin, UAP, (2.378): 4, G Bernardin, Biscuits Lu, 2.000:

#### SNOOKER

## Methodical play slows progress

Progress at the £200,000 Hofmeister world doubles championship in Northampton yesterday maintained its predictably slow pattern when Dennis Taylor and Terry Griffiths took two hours to open up a 3-1 lead over their unseeded and onfaneied opponents, Mike Darrington and Bill Oliver.

They began promisingly nough. Taylor pocketed a break of 53 to win the opening frame and a 42 that won the second but it took 44 minutes before they stretched their lead with a 75-44 success in

to run on the same night and

in the same street they can, although obvinusly that would

Aiming high

title at the Austin Sports and

Social Cluh in Longbridge, Birmingham on December 9 and 10. His main rival will be

John Lowe, the second seed, with Mike Gregory seeded

three and Bob Anderson four.

Darringtoo and Oliver, who came through two qualifying matches to reach this stage of the tournament, made inroads of their own by taking the fourth frame 69-37 to remind their opponents they still had a fight on their hands.

Rex Williams and Graham

Miles, the No. 13 seeds, were given plenty to think about by

Welshmen were comfortable the Yorkshireman, Ian 5-1 winners over Matt Gibson Williamson, and his partner, Robbie Grace, of South Afand Dave Chalmers.
RESULTS: Third round: O Mountjoy at W Jones (Wales) bt M Ghaon (Soot) and Chalmars (Erg) 5-1. M Hollett (Eng) and Hendry (Soot) bt 11 Fowler (Eng) and Hendry (Soot) bt 11 Fowler (Eng) and Werbantuk (Carl) 5-8. O Taylor (Wile) and Catifith (Wales) bt M Darrington and rica. Williamson and Grace took the first two frames before Miles made his presence felt with a break of 48 SPORT IN BRIEF

Ringing in the change The British Boxing Board of Cootrol have realized they are fighting a losing battle in trying to stop the top promoters running shows in close proximity. As from January 1, they will cease to control tournament dates, leaving rival promoters to stage contests, together with television coverage, on the same night. John Morris, the secretary of the board, said yesterday: "If anybody wants

Hateley: Staying put

not be wise from a financial viewpoint." Going places Eric Bristow is to defend his Butlin's grand master darts

The British Open squash champinnships, sponsored by Hi Tech Sports, have a new venue for the qualifying first and second rounds of the connection. These will be competition. These will be held at the London South Bank squash centre from April 4-8, with the third round onwards being staged at

Hateley's hope Mark Hateley, the 25-year-old England forward, said yesterday that he hopes to keep playing in Italy next year, despite bids by some British clubs to bring him home. Hateley, whose contract with AC Milan expires next

June, has attracted the attention of Liverpool, Arsenal and Portsmouth. But in an Italian sports oewspaper, Hateley was quoted as saying: "I hope to have my contract renewed or to join another Italian major league team next year. Thanks England, but I will stay here."

In training

Captain Mark Phillips is to spend two days this winter training top young riders from Scotland and the north of England at Gleneagles Hotel. The scheme is funded by the Range Rover team, who sponsor Captain Phillips in com-petition, and the six riders will be selected by the British Horse Society's horse trials

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